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Town rallies behind Big Issue seller after abuse

FORMER Axminster mayor Councillor Jeremy Walden has organised a rota of people to prevent verbal abuse of a female Big Issue seller in the town.

Cllr Walden took to social media after hearing reports of alleged verbal abuse last Thursday, saying such behaviour is totally unacceptable. Writing on Axminster Noticeboard, he ap-

pealed for fellow residents to come forward, saying: "Do you have an hour to spare on Thursday, February 16th?

"I am trying to set up a rota from 9am-4pm to provide moral support for the lady who sells the Big Issue outside Boots.

"It has been reported to me that she was ver-

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bally abused and insulted by someone who is old enough to know better, and who does not live in Axminster.

"This person told the lady to go somewhere else, that she was not welcome here and she had no right to be on the street.

"When she tried to reply the person placed their finger on her lips and said 'I talk, you listen, you do not talk

"This exchange left her in tears.

"This is not the Axminster I know, and such behaviour is totally unacceptable.'

Cllr Walden's post generated much comment and reaction.

Speaking to Pulman's Weekly News on Sunday, he said: "The response has been very good, and I have almost got

total cover with one person each hour.

"Thursday was chosen because it is market day, and the involved, whilst not here on some other days, is always here on Thursday, and should they [someone] choose to challenge the vendor we will have support in place.'

Police have confirmed that no complaint has been made about the incident, and Cllr Walden has resisted calls on social media to name the alleged offender.

In reply to those calls, he said: "The person was challenged by someone else, and they showed no regret, in fact the total opposite, and told the challenger to get back to

but we do need to ensure this does not happen again. "I hope, that by the people of Axminster showing support for someone less fortunate than

"I will not name the individual responsible,

themselves who is trying to do something about her situation, we can send a message out that this is something we will not tolerate here.'

"One of the core British values is that the one thing we are intolerant of is intolerance.

"I regret that over the past few months this has become less noticeable.

"Our compassion for those who are vulnerable seems to be evaporating. We need to restore • In October last year a Big Issue seller was attacked in nearby Lyme Regis.

A man was arrested on suspicion of a raciallyaggravated public order offence.



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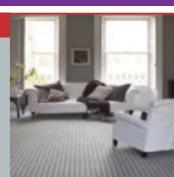
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Four men sentenced to a total of more than 20 years

CHARGES INCLUDED KIDNAP AND AGGRAVATED BURGLARY

FOUR men have been sentenced to a total of more than 20 years in prison for a string offences committed in Seaton last June.

Jamie Channing was sentenced on Friday, February 10th at Exeter Crown Court to 13 years for kidnap, GBH, possession of a BB gun with intent to cause fear of violence, aggravated burglary and ARH. He was cleared of a second count of kidnap and one count of theft.

Howard Dwyer was sentenced to five and a half years for aggravated burglary and Troy Coaker was sentenced to 18 months for ABH. Both Dwyer and Coaker were found not guilty of kidnap.

Sean Currie, 51, was sentenced six months for theft the day before. He was cleared of two counts of kidnap, ABH and aggrevated burglary.

Senior investigating officer Detective Inspector Dean Bassett said: "The jury has returned a large number of guilty verdicts for a string of incidents in Seaton during June 2016. The jury was unanimous in finding Channing guilty of wounding and the associated possession of fire arms offence.

"The group Dwyer and Coaker] were also convicted of an aggravated burglary which occurred later that same day [Friday, June 24th 2016] and a number of other assault and theft-related offences.

"The case was extremely complex and protracted. I would like to thank the hard work of officers DC Perry and DC Burnell, whose work from the time of the incident being reported through to the conviction has been exemplary.







Howard Dwyer



Troy Coaker



■ MEMBERS of Chard Tennis Club have taken to their National Lottery-funded tennis courts to help with the search for South Somerset's missing £100,000 Lotto Millionaire Raffle See page 3



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Police failure in recording c

DEVON and Cornwall Police has been slammed by Her Majesty's Inspector of Constabularies (HMIC), who rated the force's crime recording "inadequate" as it failed to record reports of rape, serious sexual assault, serious assault and human trafficking.

A report published on February 9th said the force only recorded 82 per cent of crimes, leaving more than 17,400 crimes unrecorded.

HM Inspector of Constabulary Wendy Williams did not hold back, and said: "These are not simply administrative tasks that Devon and Cornwall Police is getting wrong.

"I was most concerned to find that the force had failed to record reports of rape, serious sexual assault (against both adults and children) and offences of serious assault and human trafficking.

"Nationally, there has been suffi-

cient focus on the importance of crime recording over recent years to have expected better recording accuracy from the force.

"Other forces have recognised the importance of accurate crime recording, so Devon and Cornwall Police has no excuse to still be poor at recording crime, and certainly not for the most serious of offences. "In 2014, HMIC made recommen-

dations to the force on how it should improve its crime recording practices.

"We were disappointed to find that the force hadn't made progress against many of these recommen-

"We estimate that the force fails to record over 17,400 reported crimes each year.

"Victims of crime in Devon and Cornwall aren't receiving a good enough service when they initially report crime.

This is essential to ensure that victims of crime receive the right level of support they need at this difficult time.

Deputy Chief Constable James Vaughan said: "There is no doubt learning from the HMIC report around crime data integrity and I accept we and other forces have got to ensure we have better processes in place to accurately record all

"This is more about recording a crime, helping a victim, but then not properly updating systems around supplementary crimes related to the same investigation.

Recording crime in the right way is important as is ensuring that we have integrity in our data systems and how they are used.

"However, what is more important to me is ensuring we give victims of crime and those coming into contact with their local police a

first class service.
"We don't believe that in the vast majority of circumstances we have not supported a victim.

"We record in excess of 80,000 crimes every year in Devon and Cornwall. The HMIC has said today that more than 80 per cent of those are recorded appropriately and

"While it is of concern that some crimes are being recorded differ-ently and this needs to be addressed, my focus remains firmly on protecting and safeguarding our communities.

"As a force we will further examine the HMIC's recommendations, look at the areas we can improve and how we can use this learning to improve the service we give to victims and the public.'

Devon and Cornwall Police and Crime Commissioner Alison Hernandez said that too many errors are being made:

She commented: "This is a complicated area but too many errors are being made.

"The Chief Constable assures me that progress has already been made and that it will continue as a priority

"I will also monitor the accuracy of crime data recording as an additional strategic measure within the plan and I will be closely scrutinis-ing the implementation of the Chief Constable's action plan to assure myself that performance has improved.
"Supporting victims and wit-

nesses, and helping them to get justice, is a priority in my police and crime plan.

"I want to reassure all victims of crime, especially those who are raped or sexually assaulted, that the police will take them seriously and they will be dealt with professionally.

"If an individual is any doubt whether to report, in the first instance, they can contact the victim care unit on 0300 3030 554 where they will be supported through the reporting process.

Chard tennis players search for missing Lotto winner

MEMBERS of Chard Tennis Club have taken to their National Lottery-funded tennis courts to help with the search for South Somerset's missing £100,000 Lotto Millionaire Raffle winner. With just days to go until the missing Lotto

ticket is due to expire (February 23rd), the team from the tennis club are calling on South Somerset's Lotto players to check their tickets from the unique Team GB-inspired Lotto Medal Draw on August 27th 2016 for the winning Millionaire Raffle code PINK 2195 7600.

The one-off Lotto draw was held to thank National Lottery players for the support they have given Team GB through playing the lottery.

Every week Lotto Millionaire Raffle guarantees to create two millionaires, but 27 millionaires were created in the one-off draw to celebrate 27 Gold medals won in Rio.

In addition, 23 prizes of £100,000 to equal the Silver medal haul, of which the South Somerset prize was one, and 17 additional prizes of £50,000 to match those Bronze medals won by Team GB were also up for grabs.

The National Lottery has invested over £5 billion in grassroots sports to date, with Chard Tennis Club just one of many sports clubs in South Somerset to benefit from National Lottery funding. The club has received £63,000 towards a new clubhouse.

Keen tennis player and club chairman, Jacky Boothman, who joined the missing millionaire search said: "Chard Tennis Club was able to undergo a major revamp thanks to National Lottery funding from Sport England in 2014 and

"This funding has been invaluable in maintaining the popularity of tennis in South Somerset, helping keep people, young and old, active across the region.

"We are delighted to support the hunt and hope we find that lucky ticket-holder. As a club we already feel like lottery winners due to the National Lottery funding we have enjoyed, now let's find that other lottery winner in South

If no one comes forward with the winning ticket before the prize claim deadline, then the prize money, plus all the interest it has generated, will go to help National Lottery-funded projects across the UK.

With all National Lottery draws, players have 180 days from the day of the draw to claim their prize if they have the winning ticket.

Anyone who has any queries or who believes they have the winning ticket for any of the National Lottery draws within the 180-day deadline should call the National Lottery Line on 0844 338 7551 or email help@national-lottery.

PICTURED (far left, on page 2): Marion Beranek, Sally Cunliffe, Claire Hensley, Jacky Boothman, Kate Yamada and Sally Freeman join the hunt for the lucky winner



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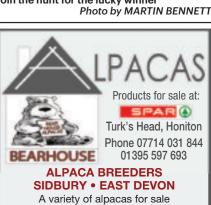


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Work on town centre pavement under way

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ESSENTIAL pavement work is under way in Axminster town centre.

Contractors will take out the slabs on the stretch of pavement running from River Cottage Canteen to the new NCP car park.

Work will be carried out in the evenings and overnight, and is expected to go on until March

The Devon county councillor in charge of pavements, Stuart Hughes, said: "The block paving has failed over the years causing trip hazards and giving a very poor appearance to the town centre.

"We are replacing the block paving with tarmac and a small amount of block paving detail.

When block paving ages, trip hazards can be

created and this surface will reduce the likelihood of trip hazards forming in the future

'We consulted with the town council and we agreed a flexible material (tarmac) was the best

A road closure will be in place between 7pm and 7am

A Devon County Council spokesperson said: "This closure is for through traffic and parking only, and pedestrians will have access.

"Diversions are a recommended route only, using roads of equal category to that on which the road works are taking place.

"They're not compulsory, and people with good local knowledge of alternative routes are able to use those if they wish to.

"The road is open during the day but under traffic light control."

Heritage centre launch survey

is hoping for a good response to a new online survey.

As part of their ongoing work with the community, Axminster Heritage trustees and volunteers have launched a short online survey. A spokesperson for Axmin-

ster Heritage said: "The sur-

vey aims to get the views of local people and build them into development plans.

"The results will also be used for the next Heritage Lottery Fund grant application. Your feedback is requested on the importance of heritage to residents, experience to date of the heritage centre, what like to see and any improvements you'd like to suggest."

To encourage as many people as possible to participate, one person completing the survey will win £25.

For further details on the survey, and to take part, visit www.axminsterheritage.org

Rare Little Bunting spotted at Trinity Hill dominated autumn 2016,

■ A RARELY seen Little Bunting bird has been spotted at Trinity Hill Local Nature Reserve

The local heathland is managed by East Devon District Council, and a spokesperson said: "Little Buntings are rarely seen in the UK; they breed in the far North East of Europe and across Northern Asia, typically spending winter in Southern Asia, China and India.

"Easterly winds, which

resulted in only a few being detected in the UK.

The Little Bunting was seen at Trinity Hill by birdwatcher Steve Waite, who managed to take some photographs.

Mr Waite said: "Each autumn small numbers of Little Bunting are seen in the UK, most often in the Northern Isles and along the East coast. It is thought there are about eight in the UK at the moment, with three together in Cornwall and one at Trinity Hill.

"I was really pleased to see the bird and other birdwatchers have now come to take a look at this potentially once-in-a-lifetime spot.



First fundraiser for Christmas lights group is announced

LIGHT Up Axminster has announced its first Christmas lights fundraising event - a pizza and quiz night at Le Pisani on Monday, March

Chairman Cindy Furse said: "This is a fantastic event to start our fundraising efforts with, and I'm sure it'll be a great evening for everyone, with some brilliant prizes on offer."

Doors open at 6.30pm, with the quiz set to start at 7pm. Tickets for the event cost £10 a head, and can be purchased in advance or on the door. The maximum number of people in each

team is six, and teams can be organised in advance or on the night.

Le Pisani will be serving freshly cooked handmade pizzas, with a number of different options on the menu. Ticket purchase details will follow in due course.

The group has also launched its Facebook

Light Up Axminster's Publicity and Social Media Manager Aaron Walker Purse said: "We had a fantastic response from Axminster's on-

line community, with over 150 people liking

our new page in less than a week.

"Those who wish to stay updated can visit our page at www.facebook.com/LightUp Axminster

'We will also be launching a website and Instagram and Twitter accounts over the next few weeks."

 Preparations are also under way for Light Up Axminster's launch event, which will be held on Thursday, March 9th from 7pm-10pm in The Guildhall. The event is described as "an exciting opportunity to discover more about the group, what events are coming up and how everybody can get involved."

FIRE crews from Axminster and Colvton attended a chimney fire at a property in St Andrew's Drive, Axminster.

They were called just after 2pm on Saturday, February 4th, and a spokesperson for the fire and rescue service said: "The crews extinguished the fire using chimney gear and a thermal imaging camera to check for hotspots and fire spread."

Public urged to take part in consultation on council ward boundaries

THE independent Local Government Boundary Commission for England is asking people across East Devon to comment on its draft proposals for new council ward boundaries.

An eight-week public consultation on the recommendations will end on April 3rd.

The consultation is open to anyone who wants to have their say on new council wards, ward boundaries and ward names across East

The Commission's draft recommendations propose that the East Devon District Council should have 60 councillors in the future (one more than the current arrangements), across 30 wards (two fewer than there are now).

The recommendations outline how those councillors should represent 12 threecouncillor wards, six twocouncillor wards and 12 one-councillor wards across the district. Ward names could also change.

The full recommendations and detailed interactive maps are available on the Commission's website at consultation.lgbce.org.uk www.lgbce.org.uk

Professor Colin Mellors, Chair of the Commission, said: "We are publishing proposals for a new pattern of wards across East Devon and we are keen to hear what local people think of the recommendations.

"Over the next eight weeks, we are asking local people to tell us if they agree with the proposals or if not, how they can be improved.

"Our review aims to deliver electoral equality for local voters. This means that each councillor represents a similar number of people so that everyone's vote in council elections is worth roughly the same regardless of where you live.

"We also want to ensure that our proposals reflect the interests and identities of local communities across East Devon and that the pattern of wards can help the council deliver effective local government to local people.

'We will consider all the submissions we receive - whoever they are from - and whether your evidence applies to the whole district or just part of it."

The Commission wants to hear as much evidence as possible to develop final recommendations for East Devon.

If anyone would like to make a submission to the Commission, please email: reviews@lgbce.org.uk write to the Review Officer (East Devon), by April 3rd, at: The Review Officer (East Devon)

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You can also have your say directly through the Commission's consultation portal: https://consultation.lgbce.org .uk/node/8778

A link to the dedicated web page for the East Devon electoral review is at: www.lgbce. org.uk/current-reviews/southwest/devon/east-devon

'Death Cafés' come to East Devon

THREE 'Death Cafés' have been launched in East Devon, covering Honiton, Axminster and Seaton, with more being planned.

A survey by the charity Dying Matters reveals that more than 70 per cent of people are uncomfortable talking about death and that less than a third of us have spoken to family members about end of life wishes.

Emma Kennedy and Gill Amos, the organisers of East Devon Death Cafés, believe that death should not be a taboo subject and as such people are denied the opportunity to explore their feelings and ideas about death.

At a Death Café, people meet in a safe, welcoming space over tea, coffee and cake whilst talking about mortality and all that goes with it.

The aim is to overcome the taboo of talking about death, to share experience and listen to others

There is no agenda and it is a respectful, supportive and confidential space for discussion rather than a grief support or counselling session.

Emma's interest in Death Cafés come from a personal journey through grief and coming to terms with the idea of death. She is a teacher of ethics and philosophy.

Gill's experience of supporting friends and family at the end of life and her desire to help others think about what it means to have a good death has inspired her to co-host these events. She works with Action East Devon as a project coordinator.

Death Cafés are free to attend but places need to be booked as they can be very popular.

The cafés take place at the Beehive Centre in Honiton on Tuesday, March 7th from 7pm to 9pm, at the Arts Café, Church Street, in Axminster on Tuesday, April 25th from 7pm to 9pm and the Eden Room at Eyre Court Hotel in Seaton on Tuesday, May 23rd.

More information at www.deathcafe.com or contact Gill on 07855 117702, gill.amos@ actioneastdevon.org.uk or Emma on 07974 330549, emma.kennedy07@yahoo.co.uk

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A monthly column by the Mayor of **Axminster, Councillor Paul Hayward**



HEN I was first asked to produce a monthly piece for *Pulman's Weekly News*, V I never once thought that I would have to report that a serving member of the town council, and moreover a former mayor, had very sadly passed away.

As readers will already be aware, Cllr Mrs Joy Hull died recently after a short spell in hospital and it is only right that the people of Axminster pay tribute to someone who gave nearly 50 years of their life to public service, but who also sup-ported a vast array of local groups and associa-tions and who fought tooth-and-nail for the services that we all take for granted.

Helen and I extend our sincere condolences to Douglas at this difficult time. A memorial service celebrating her life will be held on the 22nd of this month at the United Reformed Church. All are

In memory of the late Cllr Hull's campaigning, it is an opportune time to announce that several long-awaited projects are due to start shortly within Axminster: the first being the second phase of the pavement replacement works in the town centre; the other being the long overdue safety improvements to the A35 junction at Hunter's Lodge.

As with all such 'on-street' works, some disrup-tion will be necessary and unavoidable and your journey times might be affected but, given that these two areas are regularly brought up at council meetings by parishioners, I feel that all residents should welcome the progress that has been made in getting to this point, and look forward to seeing the benefits once complete.

Readers may be aware that, as from February 1st this year, there is now a potential fine of £100 payable by any dog owner who, when challenged by a Council Enforcement Operative, cannot provide evidence of having dog waste bags on their

Axminster Town Council has long been an advo-cate of responsible dog ownership, and has made significant accommodations to ensure that dog owners and non-dog owners alike can share the use of council owned land and amenities.

This new legislation, coupled with the proposed EDDC Public Space Protection Orders covering the walking of dogs on leads near public highways and footpaths, will hopefully reduce the unpleasantness of dog mess left on our pavements and communal recreation areas.

Please bag it, and bin it – thank you. I was delighted to recently attend the showing of Dad's Army at the inaugural launch of Axmin-ster's Movies On Monday at our very own Her-itage Centre. This 'pop-up' cinema is run entirely by volunteers and aims to provide a wide variety of films for residents to enjoy over the coming months whilst raising much-needed funds for the Heritage Centre and town museum

Please look out for posters around town advertising future presentations. Refreshments and ice cream are available.

As mentioned in a previous edition, I would like to remind all readers that February 17th is Na-tional Random Act of Kindness Day; a day on which the smallest gestures of goodwill can cumulatively make a huge impact on the well-being of the town.

Even something as innocuous as a simple hello or a smile to a stranger in the street, a compliment paid, an arm to lean on – these will brighten someone's day and that effect multiplies as more people share the experience.

Finally, can I ask all residents to make every effort to visit our local library in South Street? Sarah and her team look forward to welcoming everyone into the library to take advantage of all that there is on offer.

Books, of course, internet access, Scrabble club, Children's activity days, Seed Library, DVDs... the list goes on and on.

In this age of cuts and austerity, it is vital that we support our library and the staff working there as much as we can. Even if you just pop in to say hello; that small act alone will help support our library (but not just on the 17th!).

Recognition for Jack

A TEENAGER from Axminster reached the regional finals of the Tpas 2017 awards, which celebrates unsung heroes for their contribution to driving up standards in social housing.

Seventeen-year-old Millwey Rise resident Jack Bennett was nominated in the Young Tenant of the Year category because of his "outstanding service to sport in the community".

He is heavily involved with Millwey Rise Football Club and East Devon District Council's (EDDC) SWITCH club, which offers activities including sport.

Jack was nominated for the award by Victoria Robinson, East Devon Community Development worker and lead worker of the Millwev SWITCH club.

She was determined that Jack should receive acknowledgement for his work in the Axe Valley community.

Commenting on the trip to London and the regional final, she said: "Although Jack didn't win the award, it was great to see his commitment to sport in his community recognised, not just by the community, but on a wider scale.

"Jack has been coming to my club since we started and it has been lovely to see him develop his leadership skills and his sense of community spirit.

'I would like to thank the sports team at Axe Valley Community College and the coach, Dan Murnane from Millwey Rise FC, for their help in putting the nomination together.

Jack said: "I was overwhelmed with making the shortlist and would like to say thanks for the opportunities given to me by Millwey Rise FC and Axe Valley Community College and would like to thank to Victoria for the effort and time she put in to nominate me.

"Overall it was an amazing experience and it was great to listen to other people's stories and how they got involved in their community.

Councillor Ian Hall, ward member for Axminster Rural, said: "I have had the pleasure of knowing Jack for around ten years.

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"I look at Jack as a natural leader and although on this occasion Jack wasn't a winner, as far as I am concerned, Jack, you are already a young community champion.

Councillor Jill Elson, EDDC's portfolio holder for sustainable homes and communities, added: "It's a tremendous achievement to be shortlisted for the Tpas Awards and Jack made it through to the regional final over hundreds of other entries from all around the South of

England.
"We are all so proud of him and as far as we are concerned, even though Jack didn't win the award, he is already a community superstar and a winner to those that know him.



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£4,000 business mentoring package has made a world of difference.

It was last year that Mrs James, from Axminster, was selected for the package as part of the Lloyds Bank's social entrepreneur programme.

The programme is co-funded by The Big Lottery Fund and run in partnership with the School for Social Entrepreneurs (SSE).

Mrs James runs social enterprise Nutriri*, which helps its members to end restrictive diet patterns and become happier around

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ing and replacing it with an alternative eating plan.

She says there is an obesity and/or poor self image epidemic out there, perpetuated by restrictive dieting and unobtainable media norms.

Mrs James created Nutriri* after three decades of being an unhappy dieter, and too many years of not being at ease with her own body.

She applied for the one-year business mentoring package last spring.

The application was successful and she

Although it is early days, Mrs James says she is so lucky to have been chosen. She said: "It is what it is cracked up to be, and more. It has made a huge difference to me and my project.

"As a first-time entrepreneur with just an unproven idea, the SSE has helped and supported me to create and develop Nutriri* into the social enterprise that it is today and equip me with new skills to take it strongly into the future. For example, I have received training and input with marketing and financial planning.'

its back into the company or the local community.

She said: "I've also discovered that not many people really know what a social enterprise is; lots of people have praised Nutriri's aims, but have asked 'why is it run as non-profit?

"I think people get stuck at extremes of full charity or full profit when what will work best is right in the middle of this - a social enterprise making a profit but choosing to re-invest this for the benefit of the business and its scope to help more.'

New cookery course at Masonic Hall

LEARN to Cook Healthily, a new cooking course run by Axminster charity Health and Local Food for Families (HALFF), is about to start.

The course comprises six hands-on sessions and is an opportunity for people to learn more about healthy cooking and nutrition, as well as providing support and advice for people looking after those with specific health conditions.

The first session is set to take place on Wednesday, February 15th, from 11am to 1pm, in the Masonic Hall,

MP delighted work on A35 is due to start

MP Neil Parish is delighted that Highways England will start road safety improvement work at the Hunters Lodge junction on the A35 at Axminster.

Highways England will start work in April and Mr Parish said: "The safety improvements at the Hunters Lodge Junction cannot come soon enough. Far too many people have lost their lives at this blackspot."

"I hope the work now goes ahead on time and on budget. Drivers on the A35 should not have to put up with this dangerous junction for any longer than is necessary."

Axminster.

HALFF project co-ordinator Hannah Smart said: "Not only are sessions completely free to attend, but participants will also benefit from a free take home meal.

"Further sessions run on the third Wednesday of the month, with the final session on July 19th.

"If you can't make it to the session, you can register with HALFF to receive a free fortnightly newsletter via email or post, giving recipes, tips and advice on cooking for your loved ones.

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There are lots of plans already in place and in true festival style, the event will last for 12 hours- 12 'til midnight with plenty to keep you entertained. From stalls and whacky activities, to some of the best music our local area has to offer, we have the whole family covered and we cannot wait to unveil more plans closer to the

Music enthusiasts, happy hippies, family fundraisers, festival folk, community lovers and local people join together- the Slowburner is one not to be missed!

About the Tom **Chubb Fund**

On the 30th October, 2012, the Axminster community was shaken by the sudden and tragic death of 18 year old Tom Chubb in a car accident.
Following the tragic news,

Axminster's skate park has become a hub for those affected, with fundraising becoming an essential tool to use in order to turn the sadness and loss of Tom into something positive for the future.

The fundraising began when donations were made to the skate park during Tom's funeral. From then on, friends and relatives of Tom began a new journey, campaigning for better skate facilities for BMX and skateboard riders (something Tom loved) and... a dedicated team of fundraisers were born.

The skate park site has been donated by Cloakham lawns and is not owned by the local

council, so it is up to fundraisers, the steering group and those who skate there to ensure the park is maintained and looked after.

Insurance, small rent to Cloakham and the building of the skate park all comes from fundraising and so there is a constant need for money to be raised at every opportunity to keep this hub alive.

Well-known skate park design and build company Maverick Industries will be heading up the latest design and contracting of the new park which organisers are sure will drive all ages and abilities from across East Devon to enjoy.

Now officially granted charity status, the next step is to put in for planning for a bigger and better park. Supported by local councillors and the community, the group hope the next stage in the project will be well supported and achievable!



CHUBB'S | MEMORIAL | PARK



Sara Perry publishes her third children's book

SEATON-based psychic and therapeutic consultant Sara Perry has completed her third children's book, 'So...What If'.

She said: "So...What If focuses on the issue of self-image and is aimed at those challenged by

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the way we look on the outside – which causes doubt, fear and lack of self-worth.

Coastguard deputy steps down

BEER'S Deputy Coastguard Station Officer, Paul Driver, is retiring from his post after 37 years of service.

Mr Driver, *pictured right*, who is Beer born and bred and still lives in the village, decided the time was right to go after celebrating his 65th birthday last summer.

"There is no age restriction to staying with the Coast-guard but I looked at the team and thought it was probably a good time to go and let the younger guys carry it on," said Paul,

"I have passed on my knowledge to them and hopefully they will do the same – you can't go on forever!"

The Driver family has a long association with the historical seaside village but Paul was the first for a long time to join the Beer Coastguard Service.

"I have lived in Beer all my life and generations before me and it was just some-



thing I decided I wanted to do," added Paul.

It should be noted that the work is voluntary and had to be fitted in around his job as a blacksmith based in Seaton and at times could be quite disruptive, especially with calls during the night.

And then there was the MSC Napoli incident 10 years ago.

"I was the first on duty with a colleague that day and didn't get back to work until a week later!" said Paul.

"We had some fun and games there but I was never verbally abused - but then again I am a big guy!"

Since records were started – and that was long after Paul started his job – he has attended over 850 shouts in his time.

"I can say I have achieved my goals because I know there are one or two people out there who are only alive today because of what the team and I did, and that is a nice feeling to have," he explained. In his long career Paul re-

ceived two Chief Coast-

guard Commendations in

1997 and 2004 and a Department of Transport Rescue Shield award for a cliff rescue in 1997.

"Paul will be sorely missed but he can rest assured he has done more than his bit

for the community," said Station Officer Terry Hoare. "He will remember his last

shout simply because it came at 4:18 in the morning.

"That's something he will not miss!"

"Now that social media is a constant in our lives there is even more emphasis on the way that we look and, particularly for the younger generation, it creates so much anxiety.

"So many teenagers believe that their success depends solely on image and this issue is often the cause of bullying.

"So the message of this book is simply 'so what?" Does it matter that one eye is slightly

larger than the other, that we have a big chin or long nose? What does it matter in the bigger picture, as what we look like does little to define who we are inside."

Mrs Parry started up Confidance, a theatre arts programme, in 2007. After nine successful years she moved on to further her own personal training and expand into other areas of self-development.



SO... WHAT IF: Sara Perry with her new book





RNLI: let there be light!

in Beer could be opening far more often from now on – after it was finally linked to the National Grid.

It was a little known fact that there was no electricity supply to the shop on the cliff top by Jubilee Gardens, but that omission has now been corrected and in an official opening 'Kayak Roy' (Roy Beal) from Seaton flicked the switch to bring the charitable facility into the

"We now have light, heating and a till," said a proud Wendy Cummins, who is secretary of the Seaton, Beer & District branch of the RNLI. We can now also take credit and debit card payments in the shop.'

The big switch-on, which was celebrated with free prosecco supplied by Tesco Seaton, was attended by Amanda Woods of RNLI (Sales) Ltd. Mandy Graham of Beer Parish Council and numerous volunteers and friends who assist the

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organisation in their valuable work in East

Devon.
"The shop will now be open at various times and days during the winter then as the year progresses for seven days a week," added Wendy.

Earlier in the day the RNLI raised £409.50 from a table top sale in the Mariners' Hall to mark their 50th anniversary, while an extra £100.25 was raised from a music night in the Long Bar at the Dolphin Hotel.

"We thank everyone who attended our events on the day and donated raffle prizes, plus the Dolphin Hotel and Tesco Seaton for their continuing support," said Wendy.

• The local branch will be holding their AGM on Wednesday, March 8th (7.30pm) in the function room of the Mariners Hall.



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Volunteers put in 300 hours of work of Seaton Wetlands in one month

begun, East Devon District Council's Countryside volunteers have already put in a lot of effort in Seaton.

More than 300 hours of work was accumulated during January, allowing the team to achieve great things.

Seaton Wetlands volunteers have opened the Discovery Hut each weekend to welcome visitors and have dedicated 82 hours of service to the team, as well as talking to more than 400 visitors.

Seaton Wetlands has been very busy this winter, working over 125 hours planting trees to create a new hedgerow and creating bird box, bat box and dormouse box kits ready for the Wildlife Gardening taking place at Seaton Wetlands today (Tuesday, February 14th).

Countryside team leader Tim Dafforn said: "The Countryside service is extremely grateful to the work of our volunteers who provide such pertise to the service.

"Lots of exciting work has already taken place, and the rest of the year is set to be iust as busy with species surveys and events being planned.

To find out more about East Devon District Council's Countryside service and volunteering opportunities, visit wildeastdevon.co.uk, or contact the Countryside Service at countryside@eastdevon. aov.uk



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New body runs Devon Youth Service

DEVON's Youth Service is run by a new and independent organisation.

The change came into effect on February 1st and is the result of Devon County Council's (DCC) decision to put the Youth Service out to tender last year.

DYS Space Ltd, a not-forprofit Public Sector Mutual established with the support of Devon County Council, has been appointed to run the county's youth service for the next three years.

The new provider aims develop new ways of working, access new sources of funding and attract investment not available to a local authority.

DCC will retain responsibil-

Correction

IN some editions of last week's *Pulman's View* we reported that a man, Peter Hall, was in custody over an attempted robbery in Seaton, and that he resides on Hawkwell Travellers' Site in Hawkchurch.

This was the address given in court, but the site's owners have asked to point out that Mr Hall was asked to leave the site more than a year ago and no longer resides there.

ity for its statutory responsibilities towards young people including child protection and early help services.

DYS Space Ltd Chief Executive Kevin Henman, is confident that they can keep the service on a firm financial footing while continuing to develop services young people and local communities need and want.

He said: "Devon's youth services are highly valued and supported, and Space is committed to continuing this excellent track record by promoting the safety, welfare and development of young people and their communities.

"One of the keys to our success will be enhanced collaboration with partners and communities to ensure that young people receive the support and advice they need to realise their potential and to lead healthy and fulfilling lives.

"As an independent organisation operating as a social enterprise, we will be more dynamic and entrepreneurial in our approach and be to maximise opportunities to draw in additional resources for Devon's young people.

"By providing open access youth provision, alternative education services, targeted youth work, focussed Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme work and a range of support for many other voluntary sector organisations across Devon, we aim to provide a continuum of services that are flexible to meet young people's needs as those needs change through their teenage years."

Councillor Barry Parsons, DCC Cabinet Member responsible for Youth Services, said: "We have an important responsibility to support young people, especially those who are more vulnerable, to protect them from harm, help them establish good relationships and engage positively in their communities as they grow into adults.

"Releasing the youth service from within the council gives it the opportunity to develop and expand with greater freedom and flexibility, and doing this by creating an independent social enterprise from the existing service provides consistency, continuity and sustainability for young people, which is really important.

"An immense amount of hard work has gone in to getting this far, and I am pleased that we have managed to protect the service from further budget reductions and keep our highly respected youth workers running the service for young people and their communities."



■ JOINING FORCES: Martin Brook with the chairmen of governors from each school, Heather Burnett (Axe Valley) and Ann Adams (Holyrood)

AXE Valley Community College in Axminster and Holyrood Academy in Chard have been given permission to form a Multi-Academy Trust (MAT).

The two schools have been in a management partnership since last year, and the application to form a MAT has been granted by the Regional Schools Commissioner.

The aim is to formally launch the Vector Learning Trust, consisting of Holyrood Academy and Axe Valley Community College, on April 1st.

Martin Brook, Executive Principal of Holyrood Academy and Axe Valley Community College, said: "Why choose Vector?

"Vector was chosen as the trust name because it means 'a quantity, with direction made up of more than one element' and the reason for this model of working is to combine the strengths of more than one school to achieve the best possible education for all our students.

"This is great news, initially for the partnership agreement with Axe Valley and in the longer term I believe this decision will provide exciting opportunities for our staff while enabling us to continue the scale of improvement for every

student.

"There are a limited number of MATs across the South West, so this puts us in a strong position to establish ourselves as one of the outstanding education providers in the region.

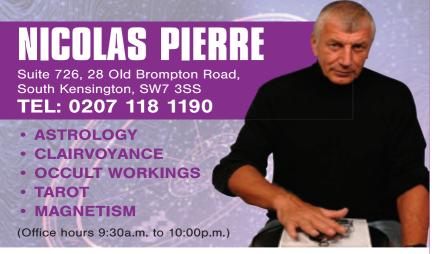
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"Although there are no immediate plans for other local schools to join the MAT, it is expected that as the Vector Learning Trust evolves, other schools in the region will join and more children will be in a position to benefit from the collaborative working that this model of educational leadership creates."

Axe Valley Community College headteacher Steve Green commented: "The announcement means that we can put in place the necessary steps to become an academy within weeks.

"Joining the Vector Learning Trust will provide further opportunities for the young people of the Axe Valley and I am delighted that the partnership between the two schools has led to this point.

"The opportunities for collaboration are very exciting and I look forward to working with my colleagues across the trust to further improve the outcomes for the students here."



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eminiscing at memory café

comed a visit from the Forget-Me-Not Reminiscence Service at their last meeting.

The team brought along a crate of memorabilia - ranging from a lacrosse stick to conkers on strings - which transported members back to their school days.

Those attending also enjoyed completing a wordsearch and the café's usual raffle, sing-a-

The café session was preceded by the annual general meeting, at which the accounts were passed and officers appointed.

If you, or a friend or loved one, is experiencing short-term memory loss, or has recently been diagnosed with early dementia, you will receive a friendly welcome at the café. For more information, call Sue Whitell on 01297 599477.



Talk on Old Church House

A TALK on Old Church House in Colyton - former home of the grammar school - will be presented at the next meeting of Colyton Parish History Society.

The talk will be given by John Forrester-Adie, who has researched 500 years of history of

The event will he held in Colyford Memorial Hall on Wednesday, February 22nd, starting at 7.30pm with a short annual general meeting.

Fundraiser for Friends of FORCE

THE Axe Valley Friends of FORCE will hold a coffee morning and table-top sale on Satur-day, February 25th. The event will be held in Colyton Town Hall

from 9.30am to 11.30am and will include refreshments, a raffle and a variety of stalls.

This page appeared in some editions last week

Record collection for foodbank



COLYTON Grammar School students collected more than 2,000 food items for the Exeter Foodbank during a recent three-week appeal

The 2,157 items of non-perishable food, weighing over 905kg, beat not only the students' target of 1,000 items, but smashed the school's previous record of 1,364 items.

Led by Year 11 student Jemima Proctor, tutor group 10C collected donations from across the school community.

Jemima organised the campaign as part of her 'Independent Learning Project', and was assisted by fellow Year 11 student, Eve Washbrook, and physics teacher Louise Fitzhenry.

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Pete Scott, from the foodbank, said: "In one week Exeter Foodbank feeds 80 to 100 people using just under a tonne of food. Therefore this is amazingly valuable - we can't say a big enough thank you.

Headteacher Tim Harris thanked the stu-dents, saying: "It is testimony to your set of values - this campaign is very important.'

Mrs Fitzhenry added: "Jemima has been one of the best organisers we've ever had, and the 10 Cedar students have been superb.

> by MEGAN THORNBERRY, student reporter



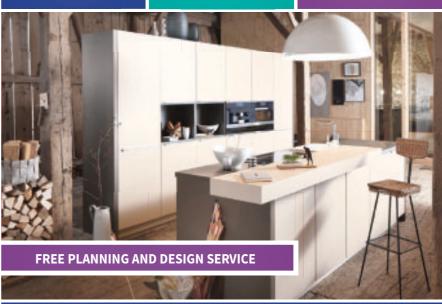
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Ladies donate £1,000 to Hospiscare

■ AT the Raymond's Hill Ladies Club meeting on Wednesday, February 1st a donation of £1,000 was made to Hospiscare day centre Kings House in Honiton.

The funds were raised by monthly raffles, a cream tea held in the summer and a Christmas Fair.

Lauren Mercer from Hospiscare explained the work of the day centre and the future of Hospiscare in the area.

Raymond's Hill Ladies Club meets on the first Wednesday of each month at 2.15pm at Woodbury Hall, Axminster: new members are welcome.

Pictured, left to right: Bryony Lamb, Alison Tirrell, Lauren Mercer, Eileen Walters and Jasmine Bishop.



Horticulture society talks

TERRY Underhill's talk to Axminster & District Horticultural Society on January 19th was very good, and there were some new faces in attendance.

The next talk is on the February 16th, starting at 7.30pm, to be given by Spence Kingdon and called 'Talks With Humour - A Boy On The Farm'.

The talks are held in the United Reformed Church Hall, Chard Street, Axminster. Members are admitted for free whilst

Members are admitted for free whils non-members are charged £1.

For further information, please contact Jayne on 01297 598292 or David on 01297 32196.

THE WILLIAM THE INSPIRING WOMEN

COLYFORD: At their

February
meeting
members
heard an account of the
history of Exeter. Tony

Burgess, one of the Red Coat Guides, explained the city's Roman origins, the influence of the Vikings and the Normans plus more recent events such as the WWII bombings in May 1942.

Ladies were advised about activities relating to the Devon Federation Spring Council Meeting in Torquay and the local Spring Group Meeting, which will be hosted by Colyford WI. Both of these events are in April. Later in February there is a coffee morning at the Donkey Sanctuary.

At the next meeting on March 1st, the talk is Herbal Medicine in Your Garden. For more information contact Elizabeth Harding on 01297 624250.

Entertaining stories

THIS Wednesday the Windsor Fellowship in Seaton were entertained by Mrs Anna Sutherland with a talk entitled 'A Mouth Like a Welly', a selection of hilarious stories. A former actress who was trained by the famous Joyce Grenfell, hearing her was a performance in itself.

Next Wednesday (15th) Mr G. Knapman will give a talk entitled 'Tax, Care and Toy Boys'.

Probus club news

■ AXMINSTER: Being a club for retired and semi-retired men, it is hardly surprising that most members would describe themselves as 'senior citizens'. The subject of Bonita Wade's talk to their February meeting was therefore very appropriate.

'Drink Wise, Age Well' is a Lottery-funded organisation and Bonita is the training officer at the Devon office in Exeter, providing free training to volunteers and carers who can then give advice and support on alcohol-related matters to the over 50s. Probus is happy to pass on its Devon contact number 0800 304 7034 to anybody who would like to speak to someone concerning their own or a loved one's drinking.

The Axminster Probus Club for retired and semi-retired business and professional men meets in a private room at the A35 Pit Stop, Gammons Hill, Kilmington, on the first Tuesday of each month. For further information ring 01460 220528.

■ SEATON Probus members and some of their wives were treated to a tour around the Seaton Tram Depot and workshops. The highly experienced guide, Inspector Gareth Richards, described its work and history.

This was followed by a return trip to Colyford on their newest tram: Car 15, formerly Car 17 and now painted in the blue and cream livery of the Isle of Man.

The last social event took place at The King's Arms, Seaton when members sat down to a convivial steak meal. Many thanks to chef Angie.

The speaker for this week's meeting was Tony Buldock who gave us a colourful slide-presentation of two RHS gardens, the 'Queen Mother's rose garden' at Rosemore and the 'trials' garden at Wisley.

The next meeting is on February 15th at 10am at the Methodist Hall, Scalwell Lane when the speaker will be Tony Burgess on 'The Jurassic Coast and its hinterland'

For more information please contact Steve Lord on 01297 21872 or visit our website: www.seatonprobus.co.uk



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Foodbank thanks

■ WHEN Foodbank Seaton first heard about the 'reverse Advent calendar' we told our local churches and schools, and advertised it on our Facebook page.

The whole idea was instead of opening a window on an Advent calendar and taking a chocolate, we would put an item of food in a box for individuals and families experiencing food poverty.

At Seaton we were overwhelmed by the response we received.

In the run up to Christmas we had concerns as to how we would cover all the needs, for all the folk coming to us.

The boxes started arriving two weeks before Christmas from individuals, families, schools, uniformed organisations and

'New' name

for Pippins?

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Tuesday, January 31st)

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How wonderful our local area is, how generous.

A simple 'thank you' doesn't seem enough, we wanted to tell folk through our local papers what a fantastic job they did.

Everyone who came to us in the run up to – and after – Christmas had not only the basic foodstuffs they needed, they also took away lots of Christmas treats.

Please will you pass on our very grateful thanks to all of your readers. The week before Christmas we had our busiest day ever, or so we thought, but in January that record was broken.

We thank and praise God for the good people of Seaton and surrounding areas.

With many thanks

CAROL PLUNKETT, Foodbank in Seaton

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■ A CHEQUE for £2,500 has been presented to Devon Air Ambulance Trust by retired doctor Rachel Mackenzie. As previously reported, Dr Mackenzie, from Hawkchurch, marked her 80th birthday with a sponsored skydive. The doctor is pictured directly behind the cheque during the presentation at The Old Inn, Hawkchurch, on Saturday, February 4th.

Hunt for ancient trees

THE Legacy to Landscape community heritage project starts its new season with a hunt for ancient trees in Woodend Park, Shute, near Axminster. The event will take place on Sunday, February 26th, from 2pm to 5pm.

Co-ordinator Ruth Worsley said: "Learn how to record these ancient and other veteran trees and meet the more elderly tree residents of the former medieval deer park with Jill Butler from The Woodland Trust.

"Please bring a flexible tape measure and, if you have them, a GPS, smartphone or tablet." Call 01404 310012 to book your place..

Competition winners

THANK you to everyone who entered our short story competition, which formed part of our recent National Storytelling Week feature.
Congratulations to Valerie Price

Congratulations to Valerie Price from Seaton whose story, 'Border Control', won the £15 book voucher donated by Owl & Pyramid bookshop, Seaton.

Also, well done to runners-up

Evelyn Edghill, Glyn James, Carol Lancaster and Sophie Petit-Zeman.

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MISSING CAT







We recently moved to 23 West Acres, Seaton and unfortunately our oldest cat, Sukey, a large ginger and white 14 year old male cat has gone missing.

We ask all local residents if they could check any outbuildings - garages, sheds, greenhouses etc and to keep a look out for him.

He went missing on Thursday evening (9th February) and has not been seen since. We are concerned as this was the start of a very cold spell in this area.

We have put posters up and delivered leaflets in the area and have been heartened by the positive response by local residents.

We would like to thank everyone for their support so far, and encourage everyone to keep an eye out for Sukey and to continue checking their sheds, garages, outhouses etc

Please telephone **01297-24841** or my mobile is **07879-440316** and my husband Steve's mobile is **07881-367070** if you locate Sukey.



Half term fun on a budget

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Day trips and activities can cost a fortune – but you don't need to break the bank to have a lovely half term.

Make a Boredom Busters jar

At the start of half term gather everyone together and make a Boredom Buster jar. Brainstorm ideas of things to do during half term and pop them in your jar. You can take it in turns to pick out an activity and it's a great way to prevent any cries of 'Muuuum...we're booored!'

Free family days out

You don't have to splash the cash at expensive theme parks and attractions to have a great family day out. Museums, art galleries, farm parks, country parks, play parks...they are all fab and FREE! Some museums and other places offer free workshops in the holidays too.

Head for the great outdoors

Head out into the great outdoors on a walk



or adventure. It's completely free after all and you can discover nearby woods, hills or paths that you never found before. Take the bikes or scooters for a bit of extra pedal power. Or turn a walk into a treasure hunt with Geocaching.

Check for special offers

If you fancy a special day out at a zoo, farm park, theme park or other attractions check for any special offers before you go.

Don't forget to take a look at the attraction's

own website too, in case there are discounts on tickets (you can often get a discount when booking online.) And see if you can get offers if you use your loyalty card points.

Pack up a picnic

Whatever you choose to do on a day out it's always much cheaper to take your own picnic with you. Pack up a scrummy picnic lunch and you can save pounds on having to fork out in cafes and restaurants.

Get crafty with junk

Spend an afternoon or a day getting crafty. You don't need to spend a fortune – turn the recycling bin into works of art.

Make dens

Spend a day making dens and playing in them. Grab old sheets and pegs and get creative. Or transform a huge box into a castle or house. Once created, make signs and gather cushions and play things to furnish it into a cosy space. You could even have lunch inside the den!

Hit the charity shops

Put some pennies in the children's purses and head out on a shopping trip that

doesn't break the bank. Scour charity shops, antique chops and fairs to find some lovely and unusual bargains. Perhaps your children will discover a pre-loved teddy that needs a new home or a board game to try out? When prices are cheap, you can shop without guilt and then spend the rest of the day playing with your goodies.

Head for the library

Take a trip to your local library. Spend a happy hour browsing books to borrow and bring home. There are often free art and craft or story telling sessions at libraries too. Often there are book sales so you can add to your book shelves too...fab, free family fun.



ROYAL OAK FARM

ROYAL Oak Farm is a family run business that has been growing for 30 years, perfectly situated within the beautiful countryside and rugged coastline of East Devon and West Dorset. Recently awarded the 'Best Cream teas in Devon.

Offering a quintessentially English tearoom, a gorgeous farm shop that is available all year round as well as a traditional 'pick your own fruit' farm available from around the end of June/beginning of July depending on when the fruit is ripened and ready to be picked.

Royal Oak farm are known for their fabulous award winning cream teas served daily throughout the year. All scones are freshly baked each morning and are served with local clotted cream and homemade jam produced from the fruit grown on site.

Light lunches are available including homemade quiche, home grown jacket potatoes and freshly prepared sandwiches.

The Farm shop is packed full of stock including cakes, biscuits and treats baked by talented local cooks, Frozen 'ready meals' all made from local produce, succulent meat reared on the





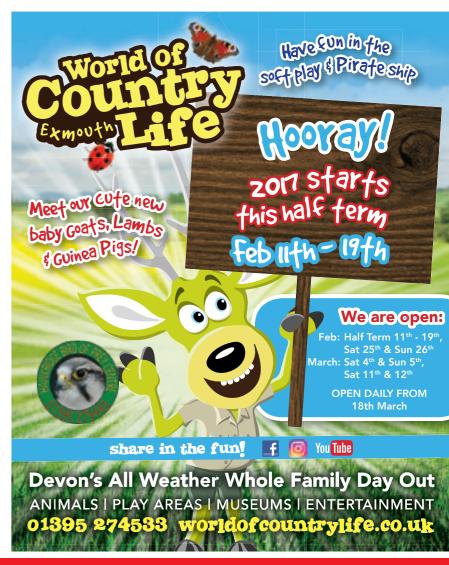
surrounding farms and an array of fresh fruit, vegetables, locally baked bread and essentials such as milk and eggs. Royal Oak Farm has been featured on BBC One's 'A Taste of Britain' and has even made it on Hugh Fearnley-Whittingstall's series in which he cited Royal Oak Farm as one of his favourite places.

David and Julia also let out a charming mobile home and cottage for holiday-makers. Nestling among Devon's Blackdown Hills yet just a few minutes from the A303, The Royal Oak Farm can provide you with a real taste of the West Country.

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George & Matt



A guide to the best shops & services in the local area!

Bilbys Coffee Shop

Bilbys coffee shop is celebrating its 16th birthday this week. They arrived in Crewkerne a week before foot and mouth came to Somerset in 2001. Jane and Tris worked in London at famous hotels and restaurants like The Savoy, Scott's, The Berkeley Hotel and Leith's restaurant before deciding to move to Somerset to have a family. Tris was the research and development manager for the new Oscar Mayer ready meal factory in Chard. Bilbys coffee shop prides itself in having a great range of homemade cakes and meals all made by them. Some of the recipes are traditional like their sponges, some are local recipes like the now famous Somerset apple cake and some are old family recipes like Janes mums Ginger shortbread and Boiled fruit cake. They serve food Monday to Saturday from 9.00 to 5.00. One of the most popular meals is the All Day Breakfast and bacon deli rolls. Since 2001 Bilbys has improved its wheelchair access and now has a room that can be used for private parties. Many community organisations like the Chamber of Trade, Knit & Natter, The Book club, The GO-OUT club and the Baptist church use this room. "Hatch, Match and Dispatch" Bilbys also cater for Christenings, weddings and funeral and many other types of functions. Jane now makes many bespoke celebration cakes all made to order. But like Jane and Tris say "We couldn't do any of this without two things

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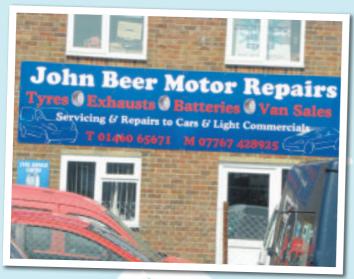
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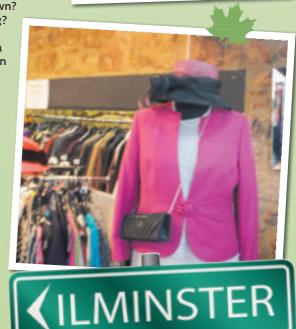
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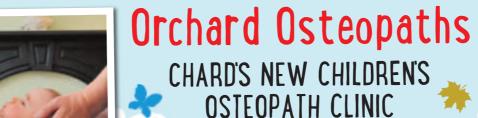
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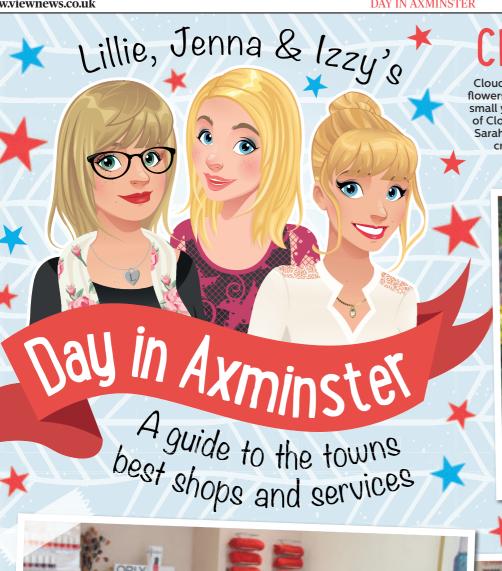
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* Axe Music

Axe Music is a small, family run, retail music shop in the heart of Axminster. As well as being a one stop shop for all your guitar needs, Axe Music now offer guitar and ukulele lessons in store or in Lyme Regis! The lessons are in conjuction with Brian Street music. The shop is run by Andy Cable, a guitarist with over 35 years playing experience. Andy is a fully trained guitar technician and able to offer repairs, servicing, set ups and custom alterations to just about all makes of guitar. He offers a personal service, catering for everybody, from the first time beginner to the most experienced professionals. Axe Music is now the main dealer for Fender Squier guitars and now Peavey USA, and has a vast range of second hand instruments and amplification. The shop also holds a large selection of tuition books, ranging from Violin to Banjos! Andy is originally from Lyme Regis, but has been living in Axminster for the past 23 years. He has been trading since 2005, seven years of which he was based in Miltons Yard, before moving to his current premises in George Street in 2013. He started out repairing guitars just as a hobby, but 25 years later he has turned it to a big part of his successful business. Andy has made a name for himself locally with the well-known band The Relics, and has been playing guitar and singing semi professionally for more than 35 years. He is always happy to offer help and advice, so why not just pop in for a chat?

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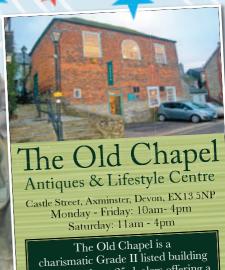


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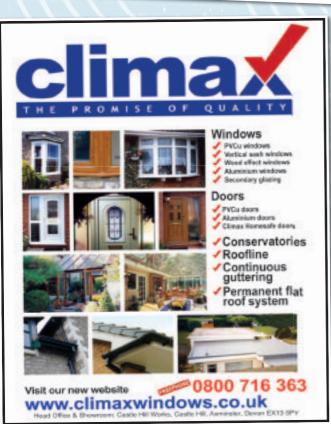




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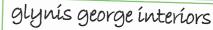
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*Axminster Health and Wellbeing Prostate Health Awareness

NURSE Specialist, Jane Billing, from Royal Devon & Exeter Hospital (Wonford) will be giving a prostate cancer health awareness talk on Thursday 23rd March at 2:30pm at Axminster Health & Wellbeing Centre. This free talk is for men and women. Please let us know if you would like to attend by calling 01297 32331 or emailing info@axminsterwellbeing.com. Wishing Well Social Group is for people affected by cancer. The group meets on a Thursday from 2:30pm – 4:30pm. New members are very welcome as are new speakers and workshop leaders. Forthcoming talks, which are open to all: 16th Feb

 Citizens Advice, 2nd March - Duncan's Unctions (learn how and why Duncan's Unctions came into being and how they can help soothe the skin), 16th March

 Mindfulness Taster and 23rd March – Prostate cancer awareness. If you have a skill or interest you would like to share please do get in touch. The group have enjoyed art and craft workshops, story writing workshops and painting and are interested to try new activities.

Please call 01297 32331 and ask to speak with the Centre Manager. www.axminsterwellbeing.com

Prostate Health Awareness Talk

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Celene is on hand to help, but this is not all that Celene's Bespoke Cakes has to offer. Anyone who is trying to further his or her baking knowledge can pop in for a friendly advice. The shop also carries a wide-range of decorating supplies and equipment, which will only be expanding further over the next few months. Celene would like to thank all the people of Axminster that have already popped in to the newly opened shop, their encouragement has been lovely and really welcomed her to the area.



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The Choir Boy and the Brickie

three things: Opera, football and wine in that order. Devonians have altogether different priorities, with Folk ballads, rugby union and cider high on the agenda. But perhaps this is about to change; because the Opera Dudes are coming to your aria (sorry) this February. Before the month is out, amateur renditions of "Nessun Dorma" will be ringing out from shower cubicles across the county.

"We get a lot of blokes coming up to us at the end of the show," says Tim Lole, one half of the duo. "They say, "Hate opera. Only came 'cause my wife dragged me. I absolutely loved it' Tim explains, "The show is an enter-tainment really, with everything from

swing to show tunes to slapstick comedy, but it's that encounter with opera, having the Pearl Fishers and Nessun Dorma sung at you full blast, that people find totally irresistible"

Tim Lole and Neil Allen, two halves of the Opera Dudes, who are touring Devon through the arts charity Villages in Action, are an unlikely coupling. Tim was a choir boy turned organist and prize-winning conductor who worked at the Royal Opera House and Scottish Opera, where he conducted The Turn of the Screw, broadcast on the BBC. Neil on the other hand, was a bricklayer.

"Neil was a builder who sang in pubs and clubs until people told him he wasn't as good as thought he was. He got singing lessons and his teacher, Michelle Wegwart, realised he had the potential to be a very fine tenor. Aged 30, Neil sold his building business and set up a school, The Magdala Opera Trust, so that he could get an operatic training and fulfil

Since then, Neil has sung with the City of London Sinfonia and the Orchestra of Opera North as a principal soloist, to name but two. His oratorios have included The Messiah, Verdi's Requiem and Mozart's C minor. The two tenors paired up after meeting through Neil's teacher, Michelle, who – can you guess?-

At first Tim and Neil performed classical concerts and dinner evenings, but the more they chatted with audiences, and let their personalities come out, the more they realised there was scope for comedy in their show. The Opera Dudes were

"We're like Il Divo meets Morecambe and Wise. Our show is very interactive and unpretentious. We always get the audience singing, but don't let that put you off!"

The song list is a truly eclectic mix: a mash-up of Verdi, Lloyd Webber, Chopin and Elvis.

Although their natural habitat, as accomplished tenors, is the vaulting architecture of an opera house, Tim and Neil really relish the intimacy of a village hall.

"I think rural touring is amazing for both performers and audiences," Tim enthuses. "For us, it's a chance to test our mettle. When you stand in front of 90 people, who all know each other and you're the newbie, you've got to be able to do your job. There's no bells and whistles in a village hall. It sorts the men from the boys!

And from the rural community's vantage point?

"It's a great chance to come together with friends and experience some

that talented young people from EVERY postcode get that early exposure to professional talent.

So who needs the Three Tenors when you've got the Two Dudes? Just don't expect Neil to quote you on a new conservatory. He's swapped the mortar for The Messiah and there's no looking back.

Opera Dudes perform at: Sheldon Village Hall at 7.30pm on 16th February (tickets on 01404 841 367)

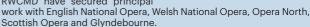
To browse the full programme of village hall shows organised by Villages in Action, and to support ongoing tours to Devon by international talent please visit www.villagesinaction.co.uk



Scholars on song

A GROUP of the world's most talented singing students are staging a very special evening of song at Ilminster Arts Centre on Saturday, February 25th. The singers, who are all studying at the Royal Welsh College of Music and Drama, will perform an accessible and entertaining programme of arias and ensembles from well-known operas and operettas, including favourites from Mozart, Strauss, and Gilbert & Sullivan.

The Royal Welsh College of Music & Drama, educates some of the most talented students from the UK. Recent graduates from the RWCMD have secured principal



■ Christine Byrne

This concert will showcase the talents of RWCMD students Christine Byrne, Conal Bembridge-Sayers, Dragos Ionel, Lucy Mellors, Matthew Clark and Rachel Goode. All are extremely experienced young singers and actors and they are all following postgraduate courses on the pathway to successful professional careers. They will perform solos pieces as well as ensembles, and the programme will include muchloved pieces from Gilbert & Sullivan's The Pirates of Penzance, The Mikado and The Gondoliers.

The Royal Welsh College of Music & Drama Singers perform at Ilminster Arts Centre at the Meeting House on Saturday, February 25th at 7.30pm. Tickets are £14. Advance booking is strongly recommended to book please ring the Arts Centre Box Office on 01460 54973.

Oh What A Night this should be!

The music of Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons plus a tribute to Showaddywaddy

FOLLOWING their amazing run of sell out shows across the UK, The New Jersey Boys make a welcome return to Axminster on Friday, March 10th at 7.30pm, with their packed two-set show 'Oh What A Night'. Expect to hear all the hits such



as Sherry, Big Girls Don't Cry, Walk Like A Man and many more This years high energy programme, featuring the amazing falsetto voice of Einar Vestman, includes a tribute to another great rock 'n roll

band, Showaddywaddy. So don't be surprised if you find yourself singing and dancing. Ticketst are available.

unreserved, from Archway Bookshop Axmin-01297 Online: www.wegottick-Taunton, Wellington and



n the hunt for ancient trees

THE LEGACY TO LANDSCAPE community heritage project starts its new season of events with a hunt for old trees in this historic landscape. It will be a theme running through this year, inviting people to help find those old, gnarled and large trunked ancient trees forgotten and hidden in the Legacy landscape.

'Ancient tree hunt in Wood-

end Park', takes place at Shute,

Axminster, from 2pm - 5pm on Sunday, February 26th

Learn how to record these ancient and other veteran trees and meet the more elderly tree residents of the former medieval deer park, right in the heart of the Legacy Landscape with Jill Butler from The Woodland Trust. Please bring flexible tape measure, and if you have them, a GPS, Smartphone or

Tablet. No booking required. Free Legacy to Landscape event. Parking Haddon Road, Shute, EX13 7QR, Meet in front of Shute Barton entrance.

Alongside historical build-ings, ancient trees are some of our oldest living monu-ments. However they too often go unrecognised and they don't get the official recognition that our buildings are afforded. Ancient trees aren't mapped across the landscape in the same way anwoodland makes them unintentionally vulnerable to neglect and lack of management

We need to find where they are so we can ensure their care and protection and also encourage their offspring seedlings to provide future woodland in this special landscape. Woodend Deer Park is

home to several old trees including the majestic 800 year old King Johns Oak. Other ancient oaks include Lord Arun-del and Chaseland. The project would like to find out

■ Tribute to Showaddywaddy

how they got their names. For more information how to get involved and full 2017 events programme, please email legacytolandscape@gmail.com; or 01404



Diary Dates

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 14TH
BROADWAY: The Ile Valley Flower Club meeting at Broadway Village Hall, starting at 7.30pm.
Daye Moon of the National Garden Scheme with a "Digital Visual Presentation". All are welcome as visitors or future members this should prove to be interesting to all Flower Arrangers and Gardeners

CHARD: Chard Royal British Legion Branch

Meeting of the Chard Royal British Legion Branch will take place at 7:30pm, meeting in the Maltings Committee Room. The newly elected Branch Committee is very keen to en-courage younger people to become members of the branch and help to support members and ex-members of our Armed Forces

DUNKESWELL: Dunkeswell bowls club are holding a valentine curry evening with live enter-tainment to raise funds for a new outdoor carpet. This is the first of many fund raising activities we will be holding. So bring your valentine to chose from a mix from 6 exotic dishes with a sweet trolley to die for. This will be held at the Old Village Hall in Dunkeswell. 7pm for 7.30. Entrance by ticket only £12.50, bring your own liquid refreshment. Book a ticket and pay at the door, please ring Elaine on 01404 891519 or email danelaine@icloud.com

COLYFORD: Cash Bingo at Colyford Hall, 7.45pm in aid of Seaton Friends Hospiscare @ Home. Ample parking. Please come and support this

SIDMOUTH: East Devon Organ Club at Primley Road Church Hall (EX10 9LH). Steve Hubble will perform at 2.30pm (preceeded by AGM at

CREWKERNE: Computer Drop-in at Henhayes Centre - Questions answered and help provided. 10.00 am to 12 noon, £2/£3.

CREWKERNE: Tuesday Welcome Group at Henhayes Centre. £2.50 incl coffee per session. For people 50+ who like to meet other people and enjoy a few activities like painting, pot-tery, music, quizzes and occasional bingo. Transport can be arranged (£3.00) and mem bers usually stay for a cooked lunch priced at £6.50 including tea or coffee. Please call 01460 74340 for further details.

CREWKERNE: Henhayes Knitters. Come and enjoy

a knit and natter afternoon and make items for vourself or for sale at the Centre, 2-4pm.

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 15TH

COLYTON: Devonshire Association Axe Valley Branch at the The Pavilion, Peace Memorial Playing Fields, 2:30pm An illustrated talk "The Colyton Canal". Ken Clifford will tell how in the 19th century there were plans for a Ship Canal to cross Devon and Somerset. Thomas Telford, a floating harbour at Beer, a cut through the chalk cliff, a famous smuggler as consultant... All welcome, admission £1 for DA members, non-members £3. Details from 01297551529 or brian_denham@talktalk.net

SEATON: Jurassic Folk and Jam Club at Eyre Court, 2 Queen Street, 8-10.30pm. Music and song for all to enjoy. Free admission for musicians, singers and spectators. For more details call 01404 46451 or 549903, or visit

www.jurassicfolkandjam.com
Seaton: Seaton and District Probus Club. Talk
by Helena Williams: Exotic Travels with my
Camera. 10 am at Seaton Methodist Church small hall. The club is open to retired or semiretired men over 55. New members/prospective members welcome – come and give us a try. Please contact Stephen Lord on 01297

21872 for more information. **SEATON:** Yoga with a chair 1.30 to 2.30 at the Gateway. Fore St. Yoga for EVERYbody £5. All welcome. Contact Yvonne 01297 20326 or email

waite@relaxatseaton.co.uk for more details HONITON: Honiton U3A will be meeting on Wednesday 15th February when they see the return of popular speaker Sarah Obermuller-Bennett who will be telling us about 'Devon Ghosts and Legends' - a costumed talk of ghosts, scandals and shaking chains in haunted Devon! At The Beehive, Dowell Street Honiton, Poors open 130 for 2 Street, Honiton. Doors open 1.30 for 2.00pm start. Members free and visitors welcome (suggested donation £2). Tel: 01404 598008

Website: http://u3asites.org.uk/honiton

Colyford: Axe Valley Centre National Trust,
Annual General Meeting followed by a talk on
Killerton National Trust. Colyford Memorial Hall 2.30 pm Non-members welcome admis-

sion £2.00 including refreshments.

CREWKERNE: Bingo at Henhayes Centre - Cash prizes - "eyes down" at 2.30pm. £5.30 (£4.80 for members) for 6 books of 12 games.

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 16TH

CREWKERNE: Crewkerne Folk Dance Club 8-10pm at St Bartholomew's Church Hall. Every Thursday. Entry £3.50, but first visit free. For

Critically acclaimed play about iconic cricketer comes to Lyme Regis

FOLLOWING a sell-out tour in November 2016, Dougie Blaxland's critically acclaimed one man show When The Eye Has Gone is coming to The Marine Theatre Lyme Regis as part of a UK National tour on 8th and 15th March 2017. Tickets are available from the box office on 01297 442138.

When The Eye Has Gone tells the all too brief life of Colin 'Ollie" Milburn - the cricketing legend who was one of England's most unlikely sporting heroes. Full of anecdotes, a thumping soundtrack and a large gin and coke, the story swings backwards and forwards through Milburn's life as he raises a glass to the triumphs, including his first Test Century against the West In-dies at Lords in 1966 and the disasters, like losing his left eye in a car accident in 1969.

The extraordinary story of Colin Milburn has all the hallmarks of a Greek tragedy. In 1966 he became a household name, scoring a blistering cen-tury against the mighty West Indies in only his second test. He then caused a major sensa-

tion playing for Western Australia in the Sheffield Shield smashing 243 against Queensland at Brisbane in an innings described by Don Bradman as "the greatest innings played by an Englishman on Aus-tralian soil". This was quickly followed by another glorious century for England against Pakistan in Lahore.

prospects. His subsequent decline into alcoholism ended with his death from a heart attack at the age of 48. Ian Botham was one of the pall hearers. Originally commissioned by

The Professional Cricketers' Association for Mind Matters, their mental health awareness programme, When The Eye Has Gone was written by the award-winning playwright Dougie Blaxland, nom de plume of James Graham-Brown, a former Derbyshire and Kent all-rounder and di-Roughhouse rected

The part of Colin Milburn is played by GSA graduate Dan Gaisford. Dan has worked extensively in TV, film and theatre and his recent credits include Clybourne Park (Mercury Theatre Colchester), Kidnapped (Brassworks Theatre) and Henry Walker and the Wheel of Death (Roughhouse Theatre).





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Diary Dates

more details call 01460 77320 or 75760 CHARD: Chard Camera Club will be holding their in house Digitally Projected Image competition the subject being 'two open images'. They will also be judged on their Portfolio images (a panel of three images covering a subject of their choice) the judge for the evening

pert of their choice) the judge for the evening being Mr Peter Hyett. **CHARDSTOCK:** Beginners Tai Chi classes at Chardstock community centre every Thursday from 10.30 to 11.30 am. A fun and relaxed way of staying fit and healthy, suitable for all. Please contact Allan on 01297 32095 for more information. more information.

COLYTON: Planning meeting for Colyton's Historical Re-enactment Event - English Civil War coming to you on Saturday, June 10th. Find out how you can take part in this exciting community event. All welcome 7.30pm at Colcombe Castle, Colyton, Organised by Promote Colyton Group. Further Info 01297

CREWKERNE: Over 50s Keep Fit at Henhayes Centre - 10.00 am to 11.00 am. £2.50 for members/ £3.50 for non-members

CREWKERNE: Physio Fit – 10.30am to 11.45am. £2.00 for members/ £3.00 for non- members. CREWKERNE: Short Mat Bowls. 2 – 4.30pm. New members welcome, come and give it a try.

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 17TH

CREWKERNE: Sequence Dancing at the Victoria Hall, 1.45-4pm. Tea and biscuits. Raffle. £2 per person. For more details call 01935 415520 or

TATWORTH: Film: 'Bridget Jones' Baby' at Tatworth Memorial Hall. Doors 7.15pm, film 8pm. Organised by T&F Movies. For more details call 01460 220198.

SHELDON: The brilliant double-act 'Opera Dudes' will be bringing their show "Licenced To Trill" to Sheldon Village Hall for Villages in Action, providing an evening of fabulous en-tertainment. No ordinary operatic duo, the two tenors rip up the rule book with an act ranging from classical Verdi through show songs and rock to 'Carry On' fun. Tickets for this show are available now from John Carr on 01404 841367. Prices – Adult £10 Child £5. Doors open 7 pm. Licensed Bar

South Perrott: Family bingo at the village hall. Eyes down 6.30pm. For more details call 01935 891224

CREWKERNE: Special Lunch at Henhayes Centre. Roast Chicken. 12noon for 12.30pm. £8

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 18TH

SEATON: Seaton Lions table top sale at Seaton Methodist Church, doors 8am, sale 9.15am-1pm. Donation entry. Ample free parking. Tea/coffee. For more details call 01297

WHITELACKINGTON: Table Top Sale at Whitelackington Village Hall, 10am - 1pm. Free entry. A variety of new and used items. HonITON: Hospiscare Bargain Sale, 9am-12noon, Mackarness Hall, Honiton. Homemade refreshments served.

MONDAY FEBRUARY 20TH

Winsнам: Winsham Art Club meeting. Lisa Neill, A Bowl Of Flowers', watercolour paint/acrylic paint. Meetings every Monday 2-4pm at the Jubilee Hall, Church Street. Cof-

Apminster: Axminster Carnival Bingo at Axminster Guildhall. Doors 7pm, eyes down 8pm.

MISTERTON: Bingo at Misterton Village Hall. Doors 6.30pm, eyes down 7.30pm. Every Monday.

GREWKERNE: Crewkerne Awareness February Meeting. Guest Speaker: Teagan Craig on 'Understanding The Runes'. At the Meeting Room, Unitarian Chapel, Crewkerne. 7pm -9.30pm. Admission £2.50 (Includes Light Refreshments). Everyone Welcome. Further de-

tails telephone Anastasia 01460 351019 **SMEATHARPE:** Monthly Whist Drive at at Smeatharpe Hall. 7.30pm. Good prizes, raffle. In aid of hall roof funds. More info call 01823

CREWKERNE: Physio Fit - 9.40 to 10.40am and 10.45 am to 11.45 am. £2 for members/ £3 for non- members. Transport available for second session, ring Centre to book.

CREWKERNE: Short Mat Bowls. 7 – 9.30pm. New members welcome, come and give it a try

Chard: Chard, Ilminster & District U3A invites anyone who has retired from full employment to come along to Chard Guildhall at 2 pm for a cup of tea/coffee and biscuits and learn about 'A Tale of Two Tapestries' with Canon

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Deadline is Friday 4pm for the following Tuesday's lication. Please ensure dates are included for all listings weekly listings without dates may not be published.



Showtime

ON THE SHOWBIZ BEAT

Local talents come good on the big stage

I GET to see lots of local theatre and I'm often blown away by the wealth of talent in the area.

We have a number of former professionals, who now grace the amateur stages

around here, bringing a fantastic quality to our community shows, including the fabulous Amy Wheatley, who starred in Bridport Pantomime Players' Red Riding Hood just a couple of

There are also a few who I believe are good enough to cut it in the professional world including the indomitable Tracey Wakeling who will soon be appearing in *Thoroughly Modern Millie* at the Marine Theatre, Exmouth's Lance Vernon, who has got to be one of the best leading men in the area and Kelly Apps, whose portrayal of Eva Peron in Lyme Regis Musical Theatre's *Evita* has become the stuff of local legend.

Kathrens,

wowed audiences with her

performance in Lyme's Tem-

pest last summer.

Nicola

Some do make the leap to the professional stage and it's always fantastic when my two worlds collide and I'm able to see friends in big shows in London and further afield.

Bridport's tap dancing sensation, Harry Poole is currently training at the Stella Mann College in London, former Woodroffe student, Celia Cruwys-Finnigan is touring the UK in the fantastic jukebox musical *Buddy*, and Perry Meadowcroft from Exmouth is set to make his West End debut in the Spring.

Alec Porter from North Bowood, was critically acclaimed last summer for his role in the musical *Crime and Punishment - A Rock Musical*, with music by Toyah Wilcox and after breaking both his ankles, is looking forward to getting back to the stage. Robbie Waugh from Axminster is working for Celebrity Cruises and travelling



■ WITH HER BUDDIES: Celia-Cruwys-Finnigan (right) with the cast of Buddy

around the Caribbean performing popular musicals to lucky guests onboard ship.

And then there's Lyme Regis' Luke Street, who after performing in the highly acclaimed West End production of *Gypsy* with Imelda Staunton is now set to take the lead himself in the international tour of a smash hit musical.

I'm not allowed to reveal which one quite yet, so keep your eyes peeled for details.

I've been lucky enough to perform with many of these excellent young actors and I'm afraid they may have learned some unsavoury habits from me, as I'm notoriously badly behaved backstage.

I'd like to think I could always see their potential, but also the drive it takes to make it on the professional stage. The appetite for success is a big part of the business, as even the most well known actors will spend

much of their careers out of work.

I've interviewed lots of stars and many of them talk frankly about the lack of work. I asked Maureen Lipman last year about what had enticed her back to pantomime at Christmas and she told me it was the guaranteed work and money that had ultimately made up her mind.

I also once asked Ruthie Henshall if she had any tips for youngsters starting out in the business and her reply was, "You've got to love it. You'll spend a lot of time out of work and you will spend a lot of time doubting yourself, because part of our job is rejection."

"You've got to eat, sleep, breath it and love it, because otherwise you won't last long."

It's a tough business, but one of the greatest jobs in the world and amateur theatre can act as a good grounding for those who would like to take up the profession.

For us mere mortals we have to be happy with just the joy of performing and it is such a joy. There's nothing quite like putting on a ridiculous costume and pretending to be someone else for a couple of hours.

There are an abundance of groups to choose from in the area and if you would like to have a go, most of them have their own websites and social media accounts, so are easy to find.

I've just arrived in Australia for a few days, so I'm off to see *Aladdin* at the Capital Theatre in Sydney next week as well as a highly acclaimed production of the *Testament of Mary* by Sydney Theatre Company.

I'll probably have a little mooch around the Opera House while I'm here too!



■ HERE'S A SCOOP: Toyah Wilcox and Alec Porter at *The* Scoop open air theatre in London



Diary Dates

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 21st
Axminster: Cooking for One Demo with
HALFF (Health and Local Food for Families). Free healthy cooking demonstrations giving hints and ideas for cooking for one and covring nutritional advice for type 2 diabetes, heart disease and high blood pressure. At the Methodist Hall, Lyme Road, Axminster. No need to book, just turn up, it's free. Call Hannah on 01297 631782 for more information tion or email hannah@halff.org.uk. 11.00am-

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CREWKERNE: Computer Drop-in at Henhayes Centre – Questions answered and help pro-

vided. 10.00 am to 12 noon, £2/£3.

CREWKERNE: Tuesday Welcome Group at Henhayes Centre. £2.50 incl coffee per session. For people 50+ who like to meet other people and enjoy a few activities like painting, pottery, music, quizzes and occasional bingo. Transport can be arranged (£3.00) and members usually stay for a cooked lunch priced at £6.50 including tea or coffee. Please call 01460 74340 for further details.

CREWKERNE: Henhayes Knitters. Come and enjoy a knit and natter afternoon and make items for yourself or for sale at the Centre. 2-4pm. **Hawkchurch:** Boden one day shopping event at Fairwater Head, 10.30am-7pm.

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 22ND

VELYME: Uplyme and Lyme Regis Horticultural Society first talk of 2017 at Uplyme Village Hall 7.30pm, by Steve Griffiths of Abbotsbury Gardens. This is entitled "Four Head Gardeners Explore the Wilds of Chile", and will describe the characteristic of the control of the cont scribe the adventures of Steve and three companions who retraced the steps of William Lobb, a noted Victorian plant hunter.

Tea and biscuits will be available, members enter free but visitors pay £3.

Sidmouth: Coffee Concert 'Journey in to the Unknown'. Organised by the Friends of Sidmouth Town Band. Includes incidental piano music with layou better and better of the conference. music while you chat and have coffee. 10.30am-12noon at Sidholme Music Room, Elysian Fields.

SEATON: Yoga with a chair 1.30 to 2.30 at the Gateway, Fore St. Yoga for EVERYbody £5. All welcome. Contact Yvonne 01297 20326 or email waite@relaxatseaton.co.uk for more details

COLYFORD: The Colyton Parish History Society will hold AGM followed by a talk and slide pre-sentation on the fascinating history and interior of one of Colyton's iconic buildings - Old Church House. 7.30pm at Colyford Memorial Hall. All welcome, non-members £2 incl refreshments

CREWKENE: Bingo at Henhayes Centre – Cash prizes – "eyes down" at 2.30pm. £5.30 (£4.80 for members) for 6 books of 12 games.

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 23RD

CREWKERNE: Crewkerne Folk Dance Club 8-10pm at St Bartholomew's Church Hall. Every Thursday. Entry £3.50, but first visit free. For

more details call 01460 77320 or 75760. **CHARDSTOCK:** Beginners Tai Chi classes at Chardstock community centre every Thurs day from 10.30 to 11.30 am. A fun and relaxed way of staying fit and healthy, suitable for all. Please contact Allan on 01297 32095 for more information.

HONITON: Honiton Probus Club. Talk by Bryan Short 'Last Man Standing: The Fate of Alexander's General's. 11.30am for 12noon at the Heathfield Inn. The club is open to retired or semi-retired men. New members/prospective member welcome - come and give it a try. For

more details call 01404 234195. **CREWKERNE:** Over 50s Keep Fit at Henhayes CREWKERNE: Over 30% reep fit at Heritagyes Centre – 10.00 am to 11.00 am. £2.50 for members/ £3.50 for non-members CREWKERNE: Physio Fit – 10.30am to 11.45am. £2.00 for members/ £3.00 for non-members. CREWKERNE: Short Mat Bowls. 2 – 4.30pm. New

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FRIDAY FEBRUARY 24TH

SEATON: Free Cooking Demonstrations For Heart & Diabetes with HALFF (Health and Local Food for Families). 10.30-12.30 Free healthy cooking demonstrations giving hints and ideas for cooking and covering nutritional advice for people with, or at risk of, type 2 diabetes, heart disease and high blood type 2 diabetes, heart disease and high blood pressure. At The United Reformed Church Hall, Cross Street, Seaton EX12 2LH. No need to book, just turn up, it's free. Chat, learn, eat. Call Hannah on 01297 631782 for more information, email hannah@halff.org.uk or go to

www.halff.org.uk.

CREWKERNE: Sequence Dancing at the Victoria



Axminster Guildhall Friday 10th March 7.30pm

The New Jersey Boys 'Oh What A Night'

The music of Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons plus a tribute to Showaddywaddy

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Send your diary dates to rob@viewnews.co.uk

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Hall, 1.45-4pm. Tea and biscuits. Raffle. £2 per person. For more details call 01935 415520 or 01308 862866.

HONITON: Hospiscare Bingo Afternoon. Mackarness Hall, Honiton. Doors open 1.15pm Eyes down 2pm. Raffle & Refreshments. South Petherton: Spanish Tapas Demonstra-

tion with BBC Materchef finalist Angela Lang-ford. 7-9pm. Frogmary Green Farm, South Petherton, TA13 5DJ. 01460 242775, www.frogmarygreenfarm.co.uk

CREWKERNE: Mumbo Jumbo in concert at Hen-

hayes Centre. Tickets priced at £18 to include supper or £10 without. Supper served 6.30, concert starts 7.45. Bar.

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 25TH
COLYFORD: Indoor Boot Sale at Colyford
Memorial Hall. 9am-2pm. £5 a table. For more

details call 01297 23591.

HORTON: Quiz Night at Horton Village Hall. 7pm for 7.30pm start. £5 per person with a sandwich supper, bring your own beverage. Excellent quiz master. In aid of Carrage Driving for the Disableed (Forde Abbey Branch). Please book on 01823 481348 or 01460 75025.

CHARD: Chard based family carnival club ZEM annual prize bingo at Crowshute House.
Doors 6.30pm, eyes down 7.15pm.

UPLYME: Uplyme and Lyme Regis Horticultural
Society Ceilidh with music from Mischief and

Mayhem in Uplyme Village Hall, from 7:30 Typin Tickets are £9, to include supper (BYO alcohol), from Uplyme and Raymonds Hill Post Offices, Ginger Beer in Lyme Regis, or ring 01297 445104.

CLAPTON: Clapton & Wayford Village Hall Quiz & Supper Evening, 7pm prompt. All welcome; come in a team or join one on the night. Licensed bar; raffle; £9 includes hot supper, please book in advance on 01460 74849 or 01460 72769

Horton: Quiz Night in aid of Local Carriage Driving for the Disabled. Horton Village Hall 7.pm for 7.30pm. Teams of to include nibbles and a sandwich supper. Bring you own drinks tea and coffee will be available to purchase £5 per person please book on 01823 481348/01460 75025

Axmourn: Play with Clay afternoon. Axmouth Village Hall from 2.30pm to 4.30pm. Ceramic artist and teacher Ann Ford Evans will be leading this workshop. You will be able to take your model/inspiration home for it to dry and paint later if you wish. Refreshments will also be on offer during the session. Donations to the Spiral Centre

(thespiralcentre.wordpress.com). Book you place with Christina Bows on 01297 23822 CREWKERNE: Breakfast, 10am-12noon (last or-

ders 11.30am) at Henhayes Centre.

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 26TH SIDMOUTH: The Isca Quartet and Quintet, with

leader Roger Hendy. Performing Haydn's 'Emperor' and Dvorak's 'American'. At Sidholme Music Room, Elysian Fields. 3.30-4.30pm.

MONDAY FEBRUARY 27TH

AXMINSTER: Axminster Carnival Bingo at Axminster Guildhall. Doors 7pm, eyes down 8pm. **MISTERTON:** Bingo at Misterton Village Hall. Doors 6.30pm, eyes down 7.30pm. Every Monday.

Musbury: Musbury Garden Club's second talk of 2017 will take place at the village hall at 730pm. Roger Platts, the well-known garden designer, highly respected plant and nursery-man, and Chelsea gold medal winner, will give an illustrated talk on simple garden design and an insight into how RHS judges carry out their job. A talk not to be missed. Refreshments from 7pm. All welcome. Non-members £2.50.

CREWKERNE: Physio Fit – 9.40 to 10.40am and 10.45 am to 11.45 am. £2 for members/ £3 for

non- members. Transport available for second session, ring Centre to book.

CREWKERNE: Short Mat Bowls. 7 – 9.30pm. New members welcome, come and give it a try

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Ample parking. Please come and support this very worthy cause.

CREWKERNE: Computer Drop-in at Henhayes

Centre – Questions answered and help provided. 10.00 am to 12 noon, £2/£3.

Crewkerne Farmers Market continues at new home at **Henhayes Centre**

THE MONTHLY Crewkerne Farmers Market is this coming Saturday, February 18th by The Henhayes Centre (TA18 8DA near Waitrose and The Aqua Centre), from 9am to 1pm with the usual range of bread, cakes, ready meals, apples and seasonal veg, fish, meat, poultry and eggs and Ed the Potter!

Now is the time to be planting trees so this month (and March) the market has Steepholding Heritage Fruit Trees joining the line-up, based near Wellington. Hand-grafted heritage apple, pear, plum, cherry and quince trees chosen for their flavour, storage and disease resistance. The trees are available in several sizes. from tiny trees happy in pots all their life to semi and full size trees you could climb. Steepholding choose the best of the old varieties and graft them onto certified virus-free rootstock to keep their wonderful names and nature alive. The trees come with their roots wrapped up to keep them moist but are lightweight and pre-innoculated with beneficial mychorizzal fungi. Somerset, Devon & Cornish varieties available and many from across England and Wales. See www.steepholding.wordpress.com for full lists of varieties and sizes available.

The Farmers Market has been in Falklands Square for some 15 years but the owners issued a non-negotiable and unaffordable rent demand just before Christmas. Hearing the news both The Henhayes Centre and the Rotary Club immediately stepped forward with potential new sites for the market and organisers are now in discussions for the best option. In the meantime, we are back at the lovely Henhayes Centre this month, with parking close by and a nice

Come along to the Farmers Market on Saturday for quality food and drink, produced and reared in the local area

For Farmers Market dates across Somerset and details of all the producers visit the we bsite at www.somersetfarmersmarkets.co.uk or pick up the new 2017 leaflet when you visit Crewkerne on Saturday.

Café calling

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Phone Steph or Christine on 01460 55783 for more information, or email on info@themeetinghouse.org.uk.



Fliss Gorst Band set to swing in Seaton



LONDON-BASED saxophonist Fliss Gorst - originally from Axminster - will be returning to the area to perform with her band at Seaton Gateway this February

The Fliss Gorst Band (formerly Jivestar) perform authentic swing, 50s rock 'n' roll, jumping jive and new takes on old clas-

The band are led by saxophonist Fliss, and consist of a stellar line up of some of London's finest musicians including highly acclaimed vocalists Kai Hoffman. Shane Hampsheir and Lauren

Experienced performers, the band have performed on the main stage at Ronnie Scott's Jazz Club, Pizza Express Jazz Club, and regularly at The Spice Of Life Soho. They've also held a residency at Poppies Fish and Chips Camden since 2013.

The Fliss Gorst Band play at Seaton Gateway on Saturday, February 25th at 7.30pm. Tickets are £13 in advance, or £16 on the available online www.seatongateway.co.uk or by calling 01297 625699.

From 'The Choir' to the Pilot Boat!



IF YOU'VE been following The Choir on BBC with Gareth Malone, vou will undoudtedly have noticed a bunch of bearded Bristolian blokes who rather stand out from the crowd.

Now the Longest Johns, fresh from their appearance on the popular TV show, are among the acts appearing next month at Lyme Folk Revisited, the annual fundraiser for the town's summer folk festival.

The one-off show will be held on Saturday, March 18th at the Pilot Boat in Lyme Regis, and features three acts from across the region.

The five-strong singing group, all in their twenties, bring a youthful vigour – and a touch of bawdy Bristolian humour – to their performances of tradi-tional shanties and their own original material.

Joining them for the evening will be Saskia Griffiths-Moore, a young singer-songwriter really making name for herself on the

Saskia's unique voice, perfectly complemented by her highly accomplished guitar

style, bring new life classic songs and her own brilliant compositions, and have already made her a popular performer in Lyme, with several appearances at the Marine Theatre and Lyme Folk Weekend. She is currently working on a much-anticipated second album.

Completing the evening are Mitchell & Vincent, a highly sought-after duo who have been among the most popular performers at Lyme Folk Weekend for the last four years. David Mitchell (guitar) and Graham Vincent (violin and vocals) play a stunning mix of high tempo tunes to get your toes tapping and beautifully soulful folk ballads to melt your heart.

A Lyme Folk organiser said: 'The annual Revisited show is becoming a traditional event for us, and we are delighted to welcome such amazing talent once again. All the performers are donating their time so all the proceeds from the show go to helping us put on the summer

'We think this year's show will be right up there with the previous ones in terms of quality, and we are particularly thrilled to be holding the evening in the Pilot Boat, as we think an intimate but friendly setting will suit our per-

formers perfectly.'
Tickets for the Lyme Folk Revisited fundraiser are £10, available online at www.lymefolk.com, from Lyme Regis Tourist Information Centre (01297 442138) or from the Pilot Boat, 1 Bridge Street, Lyme



Cinderella and that Rocker Fella

Performed by Axmouth Childrens Theatre

MANY YEARS ago I was a member of a small intimate theatre group called the Castle Theatre company based in Farnham in Surrey. Not as an actor nor as a writer you understand, but merely as a member of audiences who were regularly drawn in by the warmth and excellent productions that far outweighed the surroundings in which they were being performed but which were met by enthusiastic audiences whose presence reached out and drew the cast into performing some of the best theatre that I have seen.
Fast forward now some 50 years and I find myself

standing in the small village hall in Axmouth where I await the musical pantomime which I have written for the brilliant young cast of the Axmouth Childrens Theatre group. Just as with the old castle this is a small intimate venue holding at most 50 punters who come to witness and be part of a genuine force in local amateur dramatics. But where all the parts are played by children.

I gaze at the hastily erected stage and the basic

but more than adequate scenery and a sense of pride courses through my veins as the tribute music to a departed friend fades and the Fairy Godmother (Ellie Sykes) appears to set the scene. Of course the story revolves around Cinderella (the talented Imogen Oldfield) who is downtrodden and plagued by her ugly sisters who are brilliantly portrayed by Lilley Smitham and Caitlin Tooze while their poor mother Violet Bullen aged 11, wait a minute she's 11, then I realise the oldest member of this cast is only 13. Up steps Zipper, ok so it should be Buttons but this is Pantoland and wow what a stage presence this lad Kieran Jaycock has. This is now all moving along at some pace as we meet Prince Elvis (Elsa Wood in her first performance) and his sidekick Little Richard (Luca Flint) who are over here to play at the grand ball in Axmania where the prince hopes to find his bride so that he can become the King of rock n roll. Of course this is panto and things go wrong, the great hall burns down cue Little Richard's "Goodness Gracious the Great Halls On Fire" and the ball becomes a festival in a tent, in a field and of course in the rain. More nonsenses arrives with Farmer Bills Cowman (Calum Wood) and the rest of the Mangled Up Wurzels perform a short cameo role.

The poor old Baron (Will Sykes) is penniless and defenceless as the two sisters and the baroness bleed him dry with their constant shopping, his only joy in life are his trusty servants the Jedward twins (Euan Hartnell and Brandon Jaycock) whose idiotic and "very random" behaviour keeps us all amused while their version of "Under Pressure- Ice Baby" draws some of the biggest applause at each performance. The changing of the pumpkin into Cinderella's fine coach gives the two little Pixies Naïve Hartnell and Isabelle Hilton chance to shine in their own little scene. Of course this is a fairy tale –ish and having lost her silver gumboot in the mud the prince announces that whoever it shall fit shall become his bride and move to Gracelands in the USA, cue more laughter and tears as the sisters arrive with one swimming flipper on each foot claiming it to be an item of footwear worn in the wet (well that's what it says in Pictionary, sorry the dictionary). Yes it does all end happily but that's for the future but for now as writer and director of this play I can only praise this cast and backstage crew for bringing the story to life and thank the three very well supported audiences for their appreciation and enthusiasm. When I used to attend the old castle theatre there were many nights when I felt that I was a part of something very special and that feeling returned this weekend, well done everyone involved with this theatre group, its where the children are the stars

Cast: Cinderella (Imogen Oldfield), Fairy Godmother (Ellie Sykes), Gwen and Gwendoline (Lilley Smitham and Caitlin Tooze), Baroness (Violet Bullen), Prince Elvis (Elsa Wood), Pixie Peony (Nieve Hartnell), Pixie Willow (Isabelle Hilton), Zipper (Kieran Jaycock), Jedward Twins (Euan Hartnell and Brandon Jaycock), Little Richard (Luca Flint), Baron (Will Sykes) Cameo Farmers (Callum Wood, John Oldfield, Rebecca Smitham, Beth Wood)

Writer/Director: Malcolm Henty
Stage Production: Lindsay Smitham, Samantha Tooze
Posters and Publicity: Dennis & Rosy Hall, Euan Hartnell Lighting: Matt Real Box Office: Doris Clement Teas: Betty Board, Rose Tidball and Alison Morris

Curtains and Prompt: Emma Price

Backstage: Lisa Wood, Trudi Hartnell, Vicky Flint, Beth

Choreography: Imogen Oldfield, Caitlin Tooze and Girls

ACT would like to thank Axmouth Village Hall Committee for the use of the hall for rehearsals and Blaze Concepts for their excellent website. The shows were dedicated to the memory of the late Norman

Owen a founder member of ACT www.axmouthchildrenstheatre.org.uk **34** Tuesday, February 14th 2017



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investment yield. Many of the investors are also mindful of a medium term increase on their purchase as values and prices inevitably continue to rise. In terms of potential sellers, some vendors are marketing their property early this year to draw interest before, potentially, a raft of new instructions in the March/April period. In all, the market has started well this year, despite wider economic and political concerns so if you are considering a sale or purchase in 2017 please feel free to contact Pennys for advice on 01297 22224









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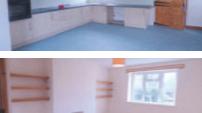
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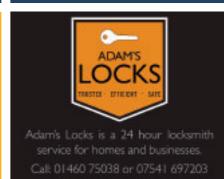
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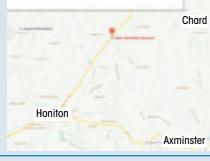
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Clode clinches win for Fishermen - Hancocks' at the double as Heavies are sunk - Colyton slump in local derby clash

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SW Peninsula League Division One (E) GALMPTON UTD 1 AXMINSTER TOWN O AXMINSTER Town dropped two places to

seventh after drawing a blank at lowly Galmpton United.

The winner came on the half hour when the hosts were awarded a penalty. Matt Barwell' s spot kick was well saved by Tigers' keeper Brett Garner but Liam Halliday reacted quickest to tuck away

Ax are due to visit Exeter University next Saturday (3pm ko).

Axminster: Brett Garner, Craig Every, Ben Clay, Chris Duchenski, Elliot Dyer, Aaron Daniels, Liam Cleal, Nathan Warren, Callum Garrett, Mark Scott, Tony Pinder. Subs; Dan Beer, Jamie Barfoot, Jon

DEVON & EXETER LEAGUE Match reports Exmouth Amateurs 1 Beer Albion 2 Premier Division

AFTER their set-back against high-flying Elmore last week, Beer Albion got back to winning ways at Exmouth Amateurs on Saturday writes Richard Honnor.

Conditions at Woodbury Common were bleak and the game did little to warm the supporters.

Beer were missing key players centre-back Andrew Foster, midfielder Simon Smith and striker Richard Walker who was on the bench. Their composure was missed, but replacements Mike Wheeler Ollie Paget and Luke Bartlett gave good accounts of themselves.

After an uneventful goal less first half The Fishermen took the lead on 48 minutes when centre-back Joe Adkin headed in George Harwood's corner.

Exmouth came close to equalising on 53 minutes when Beer keeper Mark Rooke saved a shot from close range.

But Beer doubled their lead on 62 minutes from another Harwood corner when Jacob Clode placed a fine header into the

Exmouth were clearly vulnerable to set pieces and Beer could have added a third minutes later when Harwood's free kick found Bartlett at the far post but his header narrowly missed the target.

After forcing three corners in succession, the home side reduced the arrears on 75 minutes when a cross from the right was stabbed home from close range.

In the final 10 minutes, Exmouth threw everything at Beer but the Fishermen held out resolutely and striker Chris Long almost caught the Ammies on the break on a couple of occasions.

First his 25-yarder was tipped over the bar by the Ammies keeper and then he had the ball in the net only to be ruled fractionally offside.

Man-of-the match for Beer was rightback Shaun Denslow.

Next week, Beer are at home to bottomof-the-table Bow AAC. Kick off at the Furzebrake is at 3pm and match sponsor is Steve Long - Carpentry.

Millwey Rise 4 Newton St Cyres Res 2 Division Five

A MINUTE'S silence was held before Saturday's game at Cloakham in tribute to Tony Miller who sadly died during the week aged 63 writes Dick Sturch.
Tony was Millwey Rise born and bred

and was a constant member of the Rise team during the 70s as well as Treasurer.

In later years he was a faithful supporter and his presence will be sadly missed by all at the Tea Hut terrace. His daughter, Jo Flint, carries on the family connection as current Secretary of the Club and her husband Simon is First

The ensuing game was one that Tony would have enjoyed. End to end, full of

action and good football.

Millwey twice found the net in the opening half hour through Jack Farrant and Nicky Land only to have both efforts disallowed for tight offside decisions.

They eventually opened the scoring through a rather fortuitous goal from Sam Turner who probably beat himself before he beat the goalkeeper, but goals are goals however they come.

Sam Burke put the finishing touches to a delightful sequence of passes between Nathan Womersley and Land just before half time to give the home side a two-goal lead going into the break.

The Saints came back into the game during the second period but Millwey drew first blood when a Burke flick-on put Womersley through to open his account and put Rise three up.

A damper was soon put on the celebrations though when Chris Hinkson pulled a goal back for the visitors.

A few minutes later Wormersley latched on to Hoole's long goal kick, out-stripped the defence, rounded the keeper and coolly placed the ball in the net to re-

store the three-goal cushion. The final goal went to Adi Selway who was in the right position to net a late consolation for the visitors.

For Rise it was a great team performance. Shane Featherstone was solid in midfield. Nathan Hoole in goal commanded his area well and Womersley was again outstanding leading the attack.

Round-up

with Collin Goodwin & Howard Larcombe RESULT of the day in Premier Division saw SEATON TOWN beat Heavitree Utd 2-0. It was a victory Seaton badly needed but certainly ends the Heavies interest in the title race. Siblings Matt and Martin

Hancock scored Seaton's goals.
HONITON TOWN regained top spot on goal difference after repeating their 4-0 victory against neighbours UPOTTERY courtesy of strikes from Joe Mulhall, Jack Knight, Blake Freemantle and Joe Dixon.

FENITON had to work hard to beat Newton St Cyres 3-0, Paul Dowling Mark

Simic and an own goal counting. In Division One LYME REGIS, watched by their guest Ron 'Chopper' Harris won their derby match against COLYTON 3-0. Dec Ellis opened the scoring in the 44th minute and two goals from 16-year-old winger Cody Bowditch in an eightminute purple patch early in the second-half sealed the win.

The top two sides in Division Two both won 5-0. Leaders Cullompton defeated Budleigh Salterton,and Lapford saw off. Ironically, third place AXMOUTH UNITED lost 5-0 at Chagford.

There were goals aplenty at Tiger Way where AXMINSTER RESERVES let slip a 4-1 lead to be held to a 4-4 draw in Division Three by Bampton. Earlier, goals from Sam Dibling (2), Adam Cowling and Stuart Broom appeared to have earned Ax all three points.

Down in Division Eight two goals from Constantine Ruso earned AXMINSTER 3rds a 2-1 win over Bampton Reserves and

On Sunday afternoon UPOTTERY RE-SERVES were knocked out of the Golesworthy Cup 4-3 on penalties by hosts Kentisbeare after a 3-3 draw.

Owen McCreadie-Taylor opened the scoring only for the Kents to equalise before half time. MoM McCreadie-Taylor struck again

after the turned around only for a disputed free kick to square things up at 2-2. The hosts took the lead for the first early in extra time but Upottery never gave up, and their perseverance was re-

warded when with two minutes left Jamie

Westood forced the shoot-out.

■ HEADS UP: Colyton striker Nathan Maddocks (red shirt) is challenged by Lyme Regis centre back Dom Rowe in the Tanners' 3-0 defeat at the Davey Fort on Saturday. Photo by HOWARD LARCOMBE

RESULTS

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DEVON PREMIER CUP Quarter Finals
Crediton Utd 3, Braunton 1.
Newtown 1, East Allington 3.
The Windmill 3, Stoke Gabriel 1.
Uni of Exeter 5, Elmore 1.
SENIOR CUP Quarter finals
Alphington 1, Roselands 2.
Ilfracombe Tn 0, Uni of Exeter 2.
Lakeside Athletic 4, Witheridge 2.
Northam Lions 1, Cronies 8.
INTERMEDIATE CUP Quarter finals
Bishopsteignton 3, Torbay Police 4.
Chaddlewood Inn 4, Crediton Utd 2.
Haxton Rangers 1, Hemyock 2.
Royal Oak 3, Ashburton 1.

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Lapford 5 Dawlish 0
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Beer Albion v Bow AAC

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Lympstone 4 Dawlish United O
University 5 Newtown 2
DIVISION THREE
Axminster Town 4 Bampton 4
Newton Poppleford 2 University 3
DIVISION FOUR
Kentisbeare 2 Sampford Peverell 1
Morchard Bishop 2 Thorverton 6
Pinhoe 1 Countess Wear Dyn 3
Priory 5 Otterton 1
St Martins 0 Ottery St Mary 2

DIVISION SIX
Central 4 Offwell Rangers 2
Dunkeswell Rov 4 Tivvy Park Rgs 1
Elmore 6 Hatherleigh Town 0
Exwick Village 1 Winkleigh 8
Silverton 2 Stoke Hill 3
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FIXTURES - Saturday, February 18th DEVON & EXETER LEAGUE PREMIER

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Newton Poppleford v Bampton
Seven Stars Kennford v Queens Head
Upottery v Bravehearts
DIVISION 9
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Amory Green Rovers v St Martins Chagford v Central Honiton Town v Millwey Rise Tedburn St Mary v Feniton

PERRY STREET LEAGUE
HAWKCHURCH United look well placed to sneak up on the rails and challenge for a Division One promotion slot after leapfrogging over East Devon neighbours

Uplyme with a 4-0 win.

A Jack Larcombe free kick broke the deadlock before top scorer James Melville netted a fine hat trick.

Star turn down in Divison Two was Jack Murrell who score all four in FARWAY UNITED'S 4-1 win over lowly Kingsbury.

But goals from Dylan Cody and Si Trim couldn't save FARWAY RESERVES from 7-2 reverse at Merriott Dynamos.

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tee off golf news

New captains intalled at Honiton Big game ahead prybrook 43 Chard 7

TWENTY three pairs avoided the rain on Monday in the fifth round of the Winter League.

Although the early frost soon disappeared, half the course was on winter greens which made life a lot easier, and there were many scores in the 40s. Result: 1st Iain Rowland & Bob Hollingsworth 46 points, 2nd Barrie Heath & Trevor Dobson 45, 3rd Ian Griffiths & George Wallace 45.

Meanwhile, 40 Seniors attended the Wednesday individual stableford qualifier in benign condi-

Result; Division One: 1st Martin Bargery 41 points, 2nd Trevor Dobson 40, 3rd Rod Stevens 40.

Division Two; 1st Nick George 41 points, 2nd Bob Rees 38, 3rd Bert Robinson 37. Fortunately, the threatening weather forecast for Friday did not materialise and, despite a bitterly

cold day. 40 Seniors entered the afour-man Medalford com-

Result: 1st Peter Spencer-Farr & Lyndsey Gage (63) & Bob White & Frank Martin (43 points) 20, 2nd Fred Oliver & Andy Beale (65) & Phil Hunt & Roger Withers (41 points) 24, 3rd Bert Robinson & Danny Dowell (64) & Bill Hilson & Ian Housham

AXE CLIFF with Peter Motson

THE Ladies and Seniors played a 15-hole mixed Greensomes

The winning pair were Barbara Cummings & Malcolm Glass with 27pts. In second on count back with 25 were Jill & Dave Bruce from Helen Gaudie & Bill Polley.

The Ladies section also played the second of their

County Prize stableford competition. Pauline Willis finished on top with 33pts, closely followed by Barbara Cummings (32) and Jo Donmall (28).

HONITON with John Pawley THE Club AGM was held on Thursday. Chairman Peter Clarke opened by announcing that the mem-bership had increased to around 500 members, with the Club in a sound position.

Vice President Paul Hill then proposed Max Pipe as the new President, following the death of Alec

Gosling. Max then proposed Penny Blackburn as new Vice President.

new Vice President.
Outgoing Captain Julian Phillips handed over
the reins for 2017 to Julian Netherway. With Ron
Graham stepping down after many years of service in various guises, Alan Pollock, Olwen Eaton, Julian Phillips and Jackie Seager were then elected to the Board.

On a glorious sunny Wednesday morning 13



pairs of ladies teed up to play a foursomes Stableford - a tricky format, requiring understanding be-tween partners, as it is strictly alternate shots

from tee to green.

All the main greens were in play with one temp tee. Wet ground made conditions tricky, with no

One pairing chose to just play the first round of the Australian Spoons, with five pairs playing both tests but overall scoring was generally low.

The foursomes winners were Gill Johnson & Jan Portlock with 30pts, followed by Sue Ritchie & Chris Luttman (29), Ann Trayling & Stephani Barnes (27) and Heather Clarke & Tricia Swindell

The Australian Spoons is played over several months, with as many partners as you wish, whilst accumulating points for each player - results later in the year

More than 50 hardy Seniors braved the Arctic

northeast wind on Friday to take part in a 3BBB

Stableford, with only one score to count.

Dave Maggs scored superbly to take his team of Peter Stubbington & Bill Eaton as clear winners. with an impressive 46pts, ahead of Ian Davis, Alex Neil & Mike Delaney with 42. Mike Ward, Bob Cleal & Ted Chandler also scored 42 but lost out on count-back. Fourth pace was taken by Mike Watts, George Blake & Phil Wall with 41. Two's were recorded by Jim Wallis at the 12th, and Tom Tun-

nicliffe on the 7th - their reward 16 balls each. On Sunday the newly elected Captains held their drive-in after a 4BBB Stableford, with two scores to count.

The shotgun start meant a rude awakening for most in the bitter northeast wind but some good scores were achieved.

The clubhouse was packed with members from all four sections to see their new Captains drive off

rugby chard

South West Div One CHARD were unable to get anything from their long journey to North Gloucestershire.
This coming Satur-

day the team are at home against Mid-somer Norton in what is a must-win game if they are to have any chance of avoiding the drop at the end of the season. Kick off is 2

Bottom of the table

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Okehampton	9	4
Bideford	9	45
North Petherton1	9	44
Teignmouth1	9	40
Kingsbridge1	9	20
CHARD1	8	1'
Midsomer Norton1	9	,

Somerset Two South Minehead 2nd 58 Chard

Div Three South Chard 3rd W-O North Petherton 3rd (North Petherton unable to raise a team).

(February Fixtures 21st all 2.30pm ko) Chard v Midsomer Wivelisocmbe v Chard

Chard 3rds v Wells 3rds

Chard Colts 33 Clevedon Colts 14 Somerset Colts League

THE Colts thrilled a good-sized crowd on the main pitch with a fine display against Clevedon.

The whole Chard team played well, but the three individuals who stood out for Chard were Adam Moore, Barnaby Down and Joe Mainwaring.
Moore crossed for

three tries and Man of the Match Down managed one try as well as well as converting four of the five tries scored.

Down was singled out as well for a fine all performance both in defence and at-

Mainwaring had his usual solid game and fittingly crossed for Chard final try.

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Colvton Knock Out Cup; Cloakham B 386 (P Miller 76) Colcombe Beerboys 340 (N Hales 63); Lamb A 328 (P Pomeroy 66) Volunteer B 339 (N Broom 68); Axmin ster Con A 372 (J Trivett 73) Gerrard B 348 (J Tucker 73); Ship C 382 (N Ostler 72) Kingfisher A 396 (A Bishop

76). Semi-Finals (to be played on Saturday, March 11th, 8:45pm) Kingfisher A v Axminster Con A (at Colyton Memorial club), Volunteer B v Cloakham B (at the Gerrard Arms).

Tony Hawkins Memorial Knocked-Out Cup; Honiton Con D 403 (W Collins 74) New Inn B 344 (S Davey 69); Tuckers Arms B 356 (K Tratt 66) Offwell A 360 (J Lockyer 68); Colyton Club A 363 (P Clode, M Cox 64) Vine A 325 (C Maher 64); Honiton WMC B 305 (P Neely 62) Vine B 358 (R Blackmore 68);

Semi-Finals (to be played on Saturday, March 11th, 8:45pm); Vine B v Colyton Club A (at the Colcombe Castle), Offwell A v Honiton Con D (at the King-fisher).

Captains Cup (top 4 to final)

Group 1, White Hart; Ian
Bell (Offwell A) 68, Dave

Coombes (Tuckers B) 66, Julian Trivett (Ax Con A) 65, Alan Peach (Wheel-wright A) 61, P Norman (Vine Nomads) 61 - after throw-off, D Hall (Rising Sun B) 60,H Hawkins (Gerrard A) 59, M Barnes (Cloakham Wanderers)57, A Parsons (Kingfisher A) 56, Barbara Thompson (Seaton bowling) 50. R Allen (Kings Arms A) 50, D Thompson (Red Lion Cava-

Group 2, Rising Sun; Malcolm Wakley (Hon Con D) 67, Nigel Barrett (Red Lion Sid) 66, Ray Tedbury (Colyton Club A) 65, Terry Darrant (Honiton WMC B) 63, R Blackmore (Vine B) 62, G Chandler (Hon WMC A) 62, B Pike (Colcombe A) 62,G Sweetland (Sidbury Stones) 61, D Crabb (Heathfield A) 59, G Ruck (Village Inn) 57, C Hutchings (Eagle Tavern) 57, S Bartlett (Colcombe Beerboys) 56, J Newton (Dolphin Vikings)

Group 3, *New Inn*; Mark Enticott (Cloakham B) 72, Simon Flint (Red Lion A) 66, Ben Dowell (Kingfisher B) 58, Brent Dicks (Lamb B) 58, Brent Dicks (Lamb B) 56, D Gammon (Win-stons A) 55, M Archibold (Kings Arms Beers) 54, Sheila Davenport (Vine A) 53, S Leach (Winstons KOOTS) 50, Debbie Soan (Hon Con Artists) 47, Gill

Quick (Heathfield B), **Group 4**, *Cloakham*; Darryl Jones (New Inn A) 72, Dave Park (Seaton FC B)

71, Sean Scotland (Offwell B) 62, Richard Payne (Axe Inn A) 60, S Land (Wilmington Harts) 60 - after throw-off, D Hedditch (Hon Converts) 59, Roz Williams (Three Tuns BTP) 48.

The Cup final is on Saturday at the Colcombe Castle, 8.30pm start.

Axminster

Div 1; Gerrard D 337 (W Mudd 61) Green Army 338 (D Kelland 63), Ax Con Rebels 293 (H Harris 54) Thorncombe Drifters 288 (D Mortimer 55), Sidmouth Arms 388 (S Durrant 75) Tuckers C 347 (D Roberts 66), Red Lion D 396 (T Herbert Jnr 81) Wootton Cowbert Jir 81) wootton Cowboys 406 (S Forsey 80), B&Gs 343 (D Board 67) Red Devils 340 (G Fisher 63), Thorncombe B 353 (C Atyeo 71) Lamb Spartans 371 (S Dickson 69).

Div 2; Thorncombe C 331 (C Upham 64) New Inn A 339 (D Hodder 63), New Inn C 355 (A Dawe 67) Ax Inn Jokers 335 (A Churchill 76), Lamb A 294 (D Weston 59) Gerrard A 298 (G Richards Gerlatu A 250 G Arlandus 57), WH Warriors 377 (P Harrison 80) Thorncombe A 351 (R Maber 71), Cloakham Stars 368 (J Furzey 82) Colcombe A 369

(J Williams 70), Wootton Sherberts 357 (L Baker 69) Red Lion C 308 (A Bright

Div 3; Gerrard B 347 (A Dymond 65) Kings Arms

Seaton 356 (K Tozer 69), Old Inn Kilm B 337 (A France 58) Ax Inn B 325 (J Mear 59), Colcombe B 423 (G Perry 78) Ax FC A 391 (T Webber 72), Ax FC H/Cs 388 (R Strawbridge 76) Ax FC IV 406 (J Bearpark 84). Div 4; Kingfisher A 272 (C Bonny 53) Lamb Shanks 295 (T Deem, P Herrod 57), Bev's Boys 319 (M Jones 60) Ship Rotary 326 (J Brennan 63), Seaton BC 307 (P Grigg, T Hurley-Smith 54) Gerrard C 292 (B Knight 53), Colcombe Nomads 382 (B Sheddon 70) New Inn Hawks 373 (D Lucas 76), Bottle Inn 305 (P Wallis 58)

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B & Gs	26]
Wooton Cowboys 18	22	1
Thorncombe B	20]
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Sidmouth Arms		1
Tuckers C	18]
Green Army	16	1
The Feds (Kingfisher) 17		
Thorncombe Drifters18]
Old Inn Kilmington A 17	12	1
Red Lion D	12	-

Division Two Pld Pts

Winstons Wobblers 336.

Axe Con Club A	16
King Wingers	14
Axminster FC A 17	14
Axminster FC B 16	10
White Hart Wilm B13	10
Colcombe B	9
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Lamb 49s	23
Lamb Shanks 17	22
Seaton Bowling Club14	20
Colcombe Nomads16	20
Winston Wobblers 16	19
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Div 1; New Inn B 278 (J Quick 58) Gerrard Guzzlers 284 (K Randall 53), Colcombe A 377 (S Foxwell 74) Ax Inn A 380 (J Palmer 75), Seaton BC 291 (B Thompson 52) New Inn A 291 (G Perkins 53), Rousdon Ladies 342 (S Millman 66) Thorncombe Newtops 305 (C Bull 58), Bees Knees 334 (L Bastin 66) Colcombe Girls 332 (A Wren 61). Div 2: B&Js Cloakham 330

(B Roberts 58) WH Wilm A 306 (J Bishop 61), Ax Inn Allsorts 243 (R Enticott 45) Colcombe B 285 (S Wilton 57), Colcombe Angels 340 (S Gush 67) Cloakham A 347 (A Ellis 65), Thorncombe A 286 (Kim Gaylard 54) Tuckers A 292 (L Gould 57), Gerrard A 285 (G Lamprill 55) Ax FC Battleaxes 319 (S Bennett 56), Tuckers B 311 (K Laing 55) Seaton FC 322 (S Smart, L Smitham 60).

Ladies Division One Pld	P
Axe Inn A	- 4
Wotnots	- 5
Seaton Bowling Club14	- 5
Red Lion A	
Rousdon Ladies 16	
Colcombe Girls16	-
Gerrard Guzzlers 16	
Bees Knees	
Colcombe A15	-
New Inn A	
New Inn B	
Thorncombe Newtops16	
Thorncombe Newtops10	
Ladies Division Two Pld	P
Cloakham A17	-

Thorncombe Newtops	16	4
Ladies Division Two		
Cloakham A		22
Battle Axes	16	20
Tuckers Arms B		20
Gerrard A	16	20
Colcombe B		18
B & Js	16	18
White Hart Wilm A		18
Tuckers Arms A	17	16

Colcombe Angels	.16 .17	:
Red Lion Rabble	.14	
Crewkerne & Dis	tri	ct
Division One 1	Pld	P
Super Sexy Six	14	13
Lost Boys	14	12
Headhunters		10
Mighty Ducks	14	9
The Coachmen	14	9
Stray Cats	14	8
Football Club	14	8
King Willy Dogs	14	6
Rollers		6
Odd Bobs		5
Crocoute 00		

Fryers	Division Two Pld Perrott Monkeys 14 Brewers Bees 14 Pinbusters 14 Rugrats 13 Loud & Proud 12 Skimmers 14 Hillbillys 13 Raptors 14 Muppets 14 Ugly Ducklings 14	Pts 104 102 94 93 95* 89 77 69 66 65
Division Three Pld Pts	Fudders	63 61
The Likely Lads14 55	Division Three Pld DBST .14 Admiral 6 .14 Royal Chokers .14 The King's Jesters .14 Chis Colts .14 Beer Leg Boys .14 Concorde .14 Sandbaggers .14 Willy Low Flyers .14 Rotary .14	110 101 99 99 90 82 81 79 77
both 65.	The Likely Lads	55

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Premier Division Pld Pts

High 4 & a Half 9	176	Cult of Personality10	
Rejects Return8	148	Pirates10	
Wanderers 8	119	Nice Ricks10	
BDBs 8	107	Most 180s; S.Castle &	
Crusaders8	104	M.Ballance both 2, 14 pla	aν
Hobnobs 9	103	ers x1.	٠,
Happy Sharks 8	84		
Hopefuls 8	62	Division Two Pld	I
Most 180s; L.Cox 6,	0=	HRT9	-
P.Lawrence 5, S.Rutter &	& S.	Madhouse Crew9	
Mainwaring both 3.		Stumpy's Gang 9	
G.Knight, A.Hodges, D. (Cook	Happy Days9	
& G.Hill all 2, 13 players	1.	Dizzy Tarts9	
2, 10 play 010		The Haymaker9	
Division One Pld	Pts	No skill, just lucky 8	
Okey Doaks10	130	Two minute crew 8	
Pop Darts10	111	Most 180s; A.Pidgeon,	
Random Tossers 9	100	B.Allen, A.Sprake &	
Down's10	96	K.Tovey all x1.	
PAs 9	87	ii.iovey an Al.	

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Bonus for ExCons

Results; Sidmouth Cons 3+2 Honiton WMC 3+0, Colyton 3+0

Colyton ExCons 3+4. Colyton Feds 2+0 Chard Casuals 4+4.

Of the three matches played this week two ended in draws, noeach of the tably Sidmouth players took frames playing away from

League table		I to
Wonderers	11	61
Colyton TC	11	37
Colyton Feds	11	32
Chard Casuals	11	31
Colyton ExCons	11	29
Sidmouth Cons	11	24
Honiton WMC		20

home at Honiton WMC. David Selway dropped a frame, and bonus points to one of Sidmouth's C rated players.
At Colyton, Paul

Pig Jockeys10

Martin chalked up the ExCons first four bonus points of the season, and on the other table Chard Casuals ran up a 4-2 victory also with four bonus points.

Bruce Miller Cup Pia	Pts	0
Wonderers	61	0
Chard Casuals11	57	
Sidmouth Cons 11	46	0
Colyton TC11	43	0
Colyton Feds 11	40	
Colyton ExCons 11	33	0
Honiton WMC 11	32	0
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Highest Finish: 127

180s: Dan Larcombe

Nine Dart Legs: Ken Deville (Kings Arms), Pete Letten

Singles - Maundrill CupPld Pts

Kingfisher A
Vault A
Dolphin A
Vault B

Ed Coutts (Vault A).

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(Vault B).

During Willow Cum Dld Dig

bowls east devon short mat Evening D1 Pld Pts Beer ... 8 12 Sidbury ... 8 11 Beer8

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8	12	Upottery 8	8
8	11	Otterv St Mary7	5
7	8	Seaton Yellow 9	5
8	6		
7	6	Afternoon D2 Pld	Pts
6	5	St Teresa's8	10
6	2	Seaton Blue 9	g
		Sidford Blue8	9
		Chard9	8
8	13	Lvme Regis8	7
9	10	Combe St Nich B8	7
7	8		
		Afternoon D3 Pld	Pts
7	5	Musbury9	12
6	1	Hemvock B 9	10
		Combe St Nich A 9	10
Pld	Pts	Seaton Green 8	9
9	12	Colyton B 9	8
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RESULTS (1001/Pairs first): Dolphin A 2(4) Vault A 3(2); New Inn 2(2) Golden Hind 3(4); Kingfisher A 2(2) Kings Arms 3(4); Vault B 4(3) Halesy's Bar B 1(3).

1001 pairs Tucker Cup Pld	Pts
Halesy's Bar A	60
Halesy's Bar B	52
Vault A	48
Kings Arms15	48
Dolphin A	41
Golden Hind15	40
Kingfisher A16	39
Vault B	34
Kingfisher B	30
Oolphin B	20
Clarence A	17
New Inn15	11

Vault A 6-0 Red Necks

darts axminster **Singles**; Dapper Darts 1-3 Axminster Inn, Red RESULTS (Jan 31st) Team; Dapper Darts 1-5 Axminster Inn, Red Bulls 1-5 Con Club, Bulls 1-3 Con Club, Vault A 4-0 Red Necks.

duit 11 0 0 Red Iveeks.			
Team table Pld		Singles table	
The Swamp10	20	Vault A	12
/ault A	19	The Swamp	
Con Club		Con Club	11
Axminster Inn 12		Axminster Inn	12
Len Goodmans 9	10	Len Goodmans	9
Red Necks 10	9	Red Necks	10
amb Shanks10		Lamb Shanks	10
Dapper Darts10	1	Red Bulls	10
Red Bulls10	0	Dapper Darts	10

starter's orders running news

Parkruns growing in popularity

Chard Road Runners

with Paul Masters THERE was just the one race this weekend for Chard Road Runners members who took part in the TAUNTON part in the TAUNTON
HUMDINGER Half Marathon.
Matt Baker, along with
Emma Male and Helen Baxter

set off to take the first few miles at a steady pace with a plan to run hard second half. All was going well until

rounding a corner the runners were delivered the delight of a flooded road with ice floating to add to the surprise!

Baker kept up his good pace and crossed the line in 2:01:51, Male clocked 2:07:09 and Bax-

Axe Valley Runners with Dave Mutter

MADDIE Carter was first home in the February Junior handicap taking 18:13, fol-lowed by with Harry McMahon 14:08, Sami Narayakkara 14:13. Ethan Huntley 14:00 and Josh D'Albertanson 16:23.

McMahon leads the junior

standings with 43 points fol-lowed by Rosie Kendall (38) and Harvey Burrough and Josh D'Albertanson (both 33).

Kelly Stamp was the Senior handicap winner in 27:37 fol lowed by David Cooke 28:41, Flo Swan 23:16, Matt Hewer 21:33, Alan Morbey 26:35 and Fran Hodson 27:20.

Stamp leads the Senior standings with 44 points from David Cooke (41) and Matt Hewer (36).

Meanwhile, the weekend's

three-lap Exeter half marathon was a two-day event. Emma Kiernan ran on Saturday finishing 35th out of 191 runners in 1:29:19 (PB).

In the Sunday race Angela Kerr came 111th, 1:57:40 and Martin Kerr 242nd, 2:22:45 out of 276 runners

Graham and Diane Newton. along with daughter Paula, ran the second WORTHING HALF-MARATHON on Sun-

They all finished very cold but happy with their performance: Graham was first in

at 1:35:20, Paula was next in 2:07:47 and then Diane in 2:26:47. Elsewhere, Simon Gould fin-

ished the FOUR TRIGS in 3:26. Sunday brought The HUMDINGER, a hilly road half marathon that has over

1,000ft of climb. This race is becoming more

and more popular and this year both The Humdinger and The HURTLE sold out (The Hurtle is the shorter five-mile version).

The race itself was keenly contested and AVR had Terry Emmett and Matt Hewer in The Humdinger and Robin Britton in The Hurtle.

Emmett, who came fourth last year improved on his time and finished ninth in 1:25:38. Hewer was 16th, 1:30:06. Britton came home 29th in 39:50.

Honiton RC's Kevin Hawker was once again the victor of the SEATON PARKRUN, completing the 5K route in

It was celebration time at a

cold and drizzly GORLESTON CLIFFS (near Gt. Yarmouth) PARKRUN where Dave Kelf came in first over 70, 213th overall in 35:11.

Patrick Devine-Wright won the KILLERTON PARKRUN in 18:29 with Tim Lenton fourth, 19:13.

It was another great night for what was the penultimate round of the Seaton winter 5k series with many pbs and a few new runners. Matching the most partici-

pants to have taken part yet at 11 with hope for a few more in the final event, the winner this month, with a new course record, was Ollie Caute in 16:39 followed by Jake Smith, 16:51,Terry Emmett 18:13, Matt Hewer (a pb at each event) 18:28, Garry Perratt 18:37, Josh Hopson 19:11, James Guler 19:31, Karl Hodson 20:35, Chris Keeffe 20:57, Fran Hodson (new female course record) 23:16 and David Cooke 23:46.

There is one event left in the series on March 8th.

crib round-up HONITON

RESULTS (Feb 9th); Feniton Soc B 4 Thirsty Farmer 4, Honiton Inn B 3 Workingmens A 5, New Fountain 7 Feniton Soc A 1, Vine Inn A 3 Vine Inn B 5, Workingmens B

Honiton Inn A 2.

Captains Cup; Audrey Hawkins 1 Hedley Hawkins 0, Julie Davis 0 Mike Dent 1 Lionel Hawkins O Julie Bath 1, Mau reen Pendrick 1 Brenda Flood 0, Rita Freemantle 1 Lorraine White 0.

Fixtures - Knock Out Cup Preliminary Round (first leg) February 23rd; Black-smith Arms v Feniton Soc A, Honiton Inn B v Honiton Inn A, New Fountain v Thirsty Farmer Workingmens Club A & B, Vine Inn A & B Feniton Soc B - all byes). Pld Pts Final table

Vine Inn B 20 New Fountain 20 Blacksmiths Arms . . 20 Vine Inn A Workingmens B Workingmens B ... 20
Workingmens A ... 20
Workingmens A ... 20
Thirsty Farmer ... 20
Feniton Social B ... 20
Honiton Inn B ... 20
Feniton Social A ... 20
Honiton Inn A ... 20 Pld Pts Rita Freemantle ... 20 Julie Davis ... 20 Maureen Pendrick . 20

ocal club make great start to season endurance Triathlon Club were in-Ethan Day came sec-

volved in their first event of the year with entrants at Dawlish Aquathlon which was held at Dawlish Sports centre.

These included Jonathon and Ethan Day who were making their Pure Endurance debut taking on the novice distance, with Luke Reed, Kerri-Ann Upham, Richard Easton and Phil Bartlett taking on the ond in his age category with a time of 17.19 and Jonathon day won his age category with a time of 18.35 Reed was the top ath-

lete with a time of 29.44 and sixth in his age catfollowed by Upham 33.17 and fourth in her age category, Easton 34.08 and second in his Age category and Bartlett 35.10 and 16th in his age category.



hockey honiton hornets

Hornets honour Mags with stylish win

Honiton Hornets 4

Sidmouth & Ottery 3rds 0 THE Hornets' match started last week with a minute's silence to remember club Chairman Margaret Williams who died a year ago. 'Mags' had been a dedicated

player, umpire and chairman of the club for many years sinceit's formation.

The Honiton team then set

out to play in the style Mags would have been proud of with some great passing and attacking play.

Jean Gormley found the back board first finishing off a shot from Vanessa Trude which the keeper wasn't able

Katrina Tucker scored the second with a solo effort from midfield slicing through the Ottery midfield and finishing with a fast strike giving the keeper no chance

Honiton kept the pressure up throughout the match with a number of shots saved striking the goal frame or just inches wide of the mark.

In the second half the pressure told and a short corner was awarded. Player-of-the-Match Amy Phillips connected well and the ball whizzed past the keeper to make it three with a fourth goal coming from Tucker with a fine reverse stick strike.
The win keeps Honiton

seven points clear at the top of the table with five league matches remaining.

Honiton Hornets are always keen to welcome new players see www.wcwhl.co.uk

jack high bowls news and round-up

Cup run over for Honiton ladies

HONITON with Julie Grant

THE friendly matches went well for Honiton last week with wins at Exonia (62-43) and at home against Chardstock (148-28). In the EXONIA game the best rink was

John Mabbutt, Tony Williams, Barrie Singleton & Janice Sharman 24-7.

Against CHARDSTOCK the top rink was Harry Riley, Brian Braund, Richard Was Harry Miey, Brian Braund, Nichard Bland & Eddie Sharman 39-5. Meanwhile, tourists from WEST BERK-SHIRE were defeated 70-57, top rink Ron

Rogers, Judith Broom, Tony Broughton

& Heather Chambers 21-15.
The ladies put up a fight but eventually lost to PALMERSTON 47-61 at Poole in the national Vivienne Cup quarter final, the winning triple being Ann Brown, Carol Armitage & Gail Hawke 18-5.

In the ICL Honiton men won on all four rinks and by 92-62 against SIDMOUTH so gaining maximum point, top rink Ken Clarke, Barrie Singleton, Bill Nicholls &

Terry House 30-8

Smith and Scott Finally, Jimmy Eveleigh have won through to the semi finals of the COUNTY UNDER 21 SIN-GLES competition.

ILMINSTER with Des Maull

ILMINSTER men are through to the County double rink semi-final after a comprehensive 48-23 win against BRIS TOL on Saturday. Details: Home, Pete Bromfield, Rowland Garland, Bev Brister& Ian Lightfoot 22-15; Away, Jonathan Kingston, Alan Holt, Chris Robinson & Matt Hamilton 26-8. Ilminster will play the winners of St Andrews or Victoria, both from WSM, on the 11th/12th March.

On the same day Ilminster defeated the visiting NOMADS 74-45 in a three-rink mixed friendly. Details: Brian Welch, Joan Gratrix, John Osborne & Dave Crouch 27-10; John Waddell, Dave Cox, John Mitchell & Maureen Mitchell 26-21;

Derek Carter, Heather Sims, Roger Lench & Barry Sims 21-14.

Chard SMBC with Janet Bodily

Tuesday, January 31st; Six members travelled to SEATON smbc to play a mixed friendly.

Scores; Ena Stringer, Vic Barnard & Phil Stringer 103 Memorary Flynn Hills.

Phil Stringer 10-3, Margaret Flynn, Hilay Angold & Norman Sumpter 8-9, Hilary Angold, Margaret Flynn & Norman Sumpter 9-2, Ena Stringer, Vic Barnard & Phil Stringer 5-20, Ena Stringer, Phil Stringer & Vic Barnard 11-5, Hilary Angold, Margaret Flynn & Norman Sumpter 11-3. Final score; Seaton 42 Chard 54

Milford & Dormor Mixed Triples

Thursday, February 2nd; Musbury 27 Hurricanes 2,Trull 18 Greyhounds 7, Harlequins 16 Canaries 7.

angling news Field lifts

league title

Matureen Penturick 20
Brenda Flood 20
Lorraine White 20
Mike Dent 20
Hedley Hawkins 20
Audrey Hawkins 20
Steve Pettitt 20

IT WAS bitterly cold for the 10 Ilminster AA members fishing the final Royal Oak match on the River Isle on Sunday.

Although the top weights were very good, it was a struggle for most.

Graham Field had the best weight on the day with 14lb of chub, roach and perch from peg 124 at Ísle Brewers, his victorv also saw him take the league title.

Stuart Aplin was second with a nice net of quality roach weighing 10lb 2oz from peg 125 and Morgan was third with 4lb 11oz from peg 126.

After nine matches Field was crowned League Champion with 13 points and Jamie Rich was the runner up with 17.

Next Sunday is the final V.E.S. Precision match and the draw is at Upper Coxes at 8.45am

Sections; A - Jamie Rich (Against Men and Fish) – 2lb 13oz, B – Adie Bishop (Taunton) - 3lb.

